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Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church,

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JUNE 5, 1878.

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*Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

*Rev. Francis E. Arnold, Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

*Rev. Charles E. Bettticher, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont.

*Rev. John Baker Clemson, D. D., Rector Emeritus of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont.

*Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Georgetown.

*Rev. William Robert Ellis, Rector of St. John's Church, Greenville, St. Mark's, Millsboro, and Grace Church, Baltimore Mills. P. O., Millsboro.

*Rev. William J. Frost, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington.

*Rev. Lewis W. Gibson, Rector of Christ Church, Dover.

Rev. Samuel D. Hall, Rector of St. Luke's Church. Seaford.

*Rev. William D. Hanson, Rector of St James' Church, Stanton, and St. James', Newport. P. O., Faulkland.

*Rev. William McCaulley Jefferis, Deacon, Professor in Delaware College, and Minister in charge of Grace Church and Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred. P. O., Newark.

*Rev. Arthur S. Johns, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna

*Rev. George W. Johnson, Rector of St. George's Church, Indian River, St. Mark's, Little Creek, and Missionary. P. O., Georgetown.

*Rev. Benjamin H. Latrobe, Jr., Rector of Calvary Church, Wilmington.

*Rev. Wm. G. W. Lewis, Rector of St. Anne's Church. Appoquinimink.

*Rev. T. Gardiner Littell, Rector of St. John's Church, Wilmington.

Rev. John Linn McKim, residing at Georgetown.

*Rev. J. Leighton McKim, Rector of Christ Church, Milford, St. John Baptist, Milton, and Missionary at Harrington.

Rev. Charles H. Mead, Rector of Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Philip's, Laurel. P. O., Laurel.

Rev. William A. Newbold, Secretary of the American Church Missionary Society. P. O., New York.

*Rev. Dudley D. Smith, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred. P. O. ,Wilmington.

*Rev. Charles S. Spencer, Rector of Immanuel Church, New Castle.

*Rev. Kensey Johns Stewart, residing at Lewes.

*Rev. Joseph A. Stone, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Newark.

*Rev. Elias Weil, Rector of Christ Church, Delaware City.

ALFRED LEE,

Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Delaware.

* Designates those entitled to seats in this Convention.

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES,

Certificates of whose election by their respective Churches were presented and approved.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY.

ASCENSION CHURCH, *Claymont.*—Wm. Cloud, Wm. Casey.
GRACE CHURCH, *Brandywine Hd.*—Louis Smith, Wm. H. Churchman.
CALVARY CHURCH, *Brandywine Hd.*—*Robert Salisbury, *David Shaw.
ST. ANDREWS CHURCH, *Wilmington.*—Gregg Chandler, George H. Bates.
TRINITY CHURCH, *Wilmington.*—Dr. Horace Burr, Ignatius C. Grubb.
CALVARY CHURCH, *Wilmington.*—Isaac V. Lloyd, Isaac W. Hallam.
ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, *Wilmington.*—E. G. Bradford, Jr. E. A. Van Trump.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Christiana Hd.*—James Conly, Charles Green.
IMMANUEL CHURCH, *New Castle.*—George B. Rodney, John Burnham.
ST. JAMES' CHURCH, *Stanton.*—Thomas Bracken, Robert C. Justis.
ST. JAMES' CHURCH, *Newport.*—*Wm. Jenks Fell, J. Poulson Armstrong.
ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, *Newark.*—S. M. Curtis, George W. Colmery.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Delaware City.*—Joseph S. Dunlap.
ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, *Appoquinimink.*—Horatio N. Willitts, Benj. Gibbs.

KENT COUNTY.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, *Smyrna.*—Dr. Wm. Cummins, Wilson T. Cavender.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Dover.*—Thomas O. Culbreth, Robert Sarde.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Milford*, and ST. STEPHEN'S CHAPEL, *Harrington*, } Dr. Nathan Pratt, Jas. R. Lofland.

SUSSEX COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, *Georgetown.*—Jacob Moore, Benjamin Burton.
ST. PETER'S CHURCH, *Lewes.*—Charles W. Whiley, Wm. P. Orr.
ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, *Seaford.*—Edward L. Martin, Michael Coulborne.
ST. MARKS CHURCH, *Millsboro.*—*Henry C. Frame, Wm. S. Phillips.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Broad Creek* and ST. PHILIP'S CHAPEL, *Laurel*, } Dr. Ed. Fowler, T. H. Breerwood.
ST. JOHN BAPTIST, *Milton.*—James Ponder, *William Welch.
ST. MARK'S CHURCH, *Little Creek Hd.*—*Wm. J. Ralph, *John H. O'Neal.
ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, *Greenville.*—Wm. E. Cannon, Joseph S. Jones.
ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, *Indian River.*—Wm. C. Burton, John B. Burton.
GRACE CHURCH, *Baltimore Mills.*—*Wm. Fosque, John T. Waples.

*Absent.

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OF THE

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

IMMANUEL CHURCH, NEW CASTLE, June 5, 1878.

This being the day appointed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware, for the meeting of the Annual Convention, the Bishop of the Diocese and a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled at nine o'clock in the morning, in Immanuel Church, New Castle.

The Convention was called to order by the Bishop. The Secretary of the last Convention, by direction of the Bishop, proceeded to call the names of the Clergy of the Diocese entitled to seats, when the following answered to their names and took their seats, viz :

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.	Rev. J. Leighton McKim,
Rev. B. J. Douglass,	" Charles S. Spencer,
" Wm. R. Ellis,	" Joseph A. Stone,
" Wm. D. Hanson,	" Arthur S. Johns,
" George W. Johnson,	" Benj. H. Latrobe, Jr.
" T. Gardiner Littell,	" Wm. G. W. Lewis,
" Wm. McCaulley Jefferis,	" Elias Weil.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. Mr. Stone and Mr. Wm. E. Cannon, a committee to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates.

Of the Lay Delegates reported by the committee as duly elected, the following answered to their names and took their seats, viz :

Louis Smith,	Benjamin Gibbs,
Gregg Chandler,	Dr. Wm. Cummins,
George H. Bates,	Wilson T. Cavender,
Ignatius C. Grubb,	Thomas O. Culbreth,
E. G. Bradford, Jr.,	Robert Sarde,
E. A. Van Trump,	Edward L. Martin,
George B. Rodney,	M. Coulborne,
John Burnham,	Edward Fowler, M. D.
Thomas Bracken,	T. H. Breerwood,
J. Poulson Armstrong,	James Ponder,
S. M. Curtis,	Wm. E. Cannon,
George W. Colmery,	Joseph S. Jones,
Joseph S. Dunlap,	William C. Burton,
Horatio N. Willetts,	John B. Burton.

The Bishop announced the next business to be the election of Secretary, and appointed the Rev. B. J. Douglass and Mr. Grubb, to collect the votes.

The Rev. J. Leighton McKim nominated Mr. S. M. Curtis. The Bishop announced as the result of the ballot, that Mr. Curtis had been unanimously elected, and that the Convention was duly organized for business.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Stone, the Secretary was authorized to appoint an Assistant, and he gave notice that he had appointed Mr. E. A. Van Trump.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Spencer, it was

Resolved, That Clergymen of this Diocese not entitled to seats, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and candidates for Holy Orders, who may be present, be invited to attend the sittings of this Convention.

Under this invitation there were present the Rev. Charles H. Mead and the Rev. Samuel D. Hall, of the Diocese of Delaware, and the Rev. Wm. A. Schubert, of the Diocese of New Jersey.

Dr. Cummins moved that the Rules of Order of the last Convention be adopted as the Rules of Order of the present session.

Mr. Martin moved to strike out Rule 6, which motion prevailed, and the Rules of Order as amended were adopted, and at the request of the Rev. Mr. Gibson, the Bishop directed the Secretary to read them.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, nor shall afterward stand up unless to address the Chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall rise from his seat, and, without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself, strictly, to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

6. If a question in debate contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

7. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across, the House, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particulariy interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered as before the House unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing, when required.

10. When any question is before the House, it shall be determined on before any new thing is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the Chair.

13. The Journals of the Convention shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and a copy sent to each member of the Convention.

14. The Charge or Sermon, when delivered by the Bishop before the Convention, shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and one copy sent to each Clergyman, and ten copies to each Vestry in the Diocese.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, it was

Resolved, That this Convention will meet daily at 9 o'clock A. M. to transact business; take a recess from 1 to 3 o'clock and from 6 to 8 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Chandler, the Treasurer of the Convention, presented his report, and the Bishop appointed Messrs. E. L. Martin and J. P. Armstrong a committee to audit the same.

Mr. Chandler presented the account of the Secretary for his official expenses the past year, and on his motion the Treasurer was directed to pay the same.

The House then took a recess for divine service.

Morning prayer to the lessons was read by the Rev. L. W. Gibson, Rector of Christ Church, Dover. The lessons by the Rev. Wm. McCaulley Jefferis, Professor in Delaware College, officiating in Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred. The Creed and prayers following with the Litany, by the Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D., Rector Emeritus of Church of Ascension, Claymont.

The 280th hymn was sung; the Bishop read the Commandments; the Epistle was read by the Rev. Charles S. Spencer, Rector of Immanuel Church, New Castle, and the Gospel by the Bishop.

After the singing of the 202d hymn, the Rev. T. Gardener Littell, Rector of St. John's Church, Wilmington, delivered the sermon, taking his text from the 8th and 9th verses of the 122d Psalm.

The Communion was celebrated by the Bishop, assisted in the service by the Rev. Mr. Spencer, who also read the concluding prayers. The Bishop pronounced the benediction.

The Offertory was appropriated to the fund for infirm and disabled Clergy.

At the conclusion of the service, the Convention resumed business.

The Bishop directed the Secretary to call the names of the Clergy and Lay delegates not present at the opening of the Convention, and the following answered to their names :

Rev. Messrs. Arnold, Betticher, Clemson, Frost, Gibson and Smith, of the Clergy, and Messrs. Cloud, Casey, Dr. Burr, Lloyd, Hallam, Jones, Conly, Green, Justis, Dr. Pratt, Lofland, Moore, Benj. Burton, Phillips, Waples, Whiley and Orr, of the Laity.

The House then took a recess till 3 o'clock.

IMMANUAL CHURCH, 3 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Convention re-assembled.

The Secretary read the minutes of the morning session, and they were adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Clemson offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee of three Clergymen and two Laymen be appointed to consider and report to this Convention, if there are necessary any and what alterations or emendations to article 3 of the Constitution, and to the 2d and 3d sections of Canon XI.

The Rev. Dr. Frost proposed to amend the resolution by striking out the limitations, and change to report at next Convention.

After discussion, the amendment and original resolution were both withdrawn.

Rev. Dr. Clemson proposed the following preamble and resolution.

Recent circumstances having developed the great insecurity of the property of the Church, and sad instances having occurred wherin Church buildings once free and consecrated to God have been encumbered with debt and finally lost beyond regain, therefore,

Resolved, That this Convention initiate and confirm measures by which the property of the Church, in this Diocese, of whatever kind, be rendered absolutely secure from pecuniary encumbrance, from alienation, from diversion from its original purpose, and from the effects of debt. And that to this end a committee be appointed who shall suggest some wise means for the attainment of the above resolution, and report to the next Convention.

On motion of Mr. Bates, the following was substituted in place of Dr. Clemson's resolution.

Resolved, That a committee of ten Clergyman and three Laymen be appointed to inquire and report to the next Convention, as to the manner in which title is held to church property in this Diocese, and also to report whether any, and if so, what legislation is necessary with respect to the subject.

The said substitute was adopted on motion, as the action of the Convention.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. Dr. Clemson, Rev. J. Leighton McKim, Messrs. George B. Rodney, George H. Bates and Dr. Burr, as the committee on the above resolution.

The Bishop then read his annual address.

ADDRESS TO THE CLERICAL AND LAY MEMBERS OF THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

Brethren, beloved in Christ:

The recognition of that guiding, sustaining hand, which has so often been our duty at the opening of successive Conventions, was never more appropriate than to-day. We have been favored with a year of unbroken tranquility, of quiet labor, of steady, if not remarkable, growth. Our vacant Parishes have been nearly all supplied, and the field allotted to us has had uniform and diligent culture. If the increase has not been in all places such as to meet the hopes and expectations of the earnest tiller, we have every reason to believe that it will come in due season. One blessing we have enjoyed in more than usual measure. Death has made no void in our clerical ranks, neither have we been called to mourn the loss of prominent laymen. From the visitations of sickness and mortality we have been remarkably exempt.

Remembering that thirty years ago the Convention met in New Castle, I examined the Journal of 1848 and note as a matter for encouragement the following points of comparison. The Convention consisted of the Bishop, five clerical and fifteen lay members. The clergy list shows the total working force at that time to have been seven, besides the Bishop. There were twelve parishes supplied, and three vacant. One new Parish, Christ Church, Delaware City, was received into union with the Convention. The whole number of communicants reported was less than five hundred. Our present actively employed clergy are, therefore, three to one: and the number of our communicants more than four to one. In other respects, and especially in the amount of money raised for the support of the Church and for Missionary and charitable purposes, the advance is no less marked. After such a comparison, we may well "thank God and take courage."

On the fifth day of September, 1877, assisted by the Rev. Drs. Clemson and Frost, and the Rev. Messrs. Spencer, Stone, Betticher, Latrobe and Hanson, I consecrated to the worship of Almighty God, St. James' Church, Newport. This edifice of simple beauty and convenience is situated on the old Church lot, where a sanctuary once stood, of which very little is now known. Tradition reports that during the war of the Revolution, when the British Army was encamped at and about Newport, the building was used as a stable for the horses of the Cavalry. In old journals there is but one record of representation by a lay delegate in Convention; viz, in 1792. The church is said to have been of

brick, never wholly finished. I have been informed that the Rev. Wm. Pryce, Rector of Trinity (Old Swedes) Church, Wilmington, officiated there from 1800 to 1802. Nothing is known of any later ministrations. The old Church gradually sank into ruins, and disappeared with the generation that once worshipped in it. Happily, the Church lot has been preserved, and a spacious and beautifully situated cemetery has been laid out, and a House of God now invites to prayer and hearing of the word. The present Church has additional interest as being a memorial of that noble-hearted layman, Franklin Fell, a man who was always devising liberal things for the Church which he loved, and to whose munificence and wisdom this Diocese owes no common debt of gratitude. Services are regularly sustained in St. James' Church, with good attendance, and the first fruits of the work were presented in a Confirmation class, a few weeks after the consecration.

On the 23rd of September, 1877, in Trinity Chapel, Wilmington, I ordained to the Diaconate, Mr. Wm. McCaulley Jefferis, Professor in Delaware College, on which occasion I also preached the Ordination sermon. The candidate was presented by the Rector of the Church, the Rev. W. J. Frost, D. D. The Rev. Mr. Jefferis has, since his ordination, been constantly engaged on the Lord's Day in ministerial duties, and has recently taken charge of Grace Church and Calvary Church in Brandywine Hundred. The first of these churches had been without a minister since the resignation of the Rev. C. M. Callaway, so immediately followed by his lamented death; the second for a considerably longer period. Mr. Jefferis has entered energetically upon this somewhat discouraging field, and it is hoped will not toil without success.

October 3rd to 25th I was in attendance upon the session of the General Convention, held in the city of Boston, being the fourteenth in which I have participated. It was a Convention memorable for the large assemblage of eminent men from the different parts of our country, and for the strong tendency manifested in the direction of christian work, and efforts of practical benevolence. The mission of the Church of Jesus to follow in the footsteps of the Master, and to do good to the bodies and souls of all sorts and conditions of men was emphatically asserted. Great prominence was given to the cause of Missions, and a mutually satisfactory and harmonious adjustment was effected between the General Board of Missions and the American Church Missionary Society. Inasmuch as artful attempts have been made to misrepresent that Convention, in regard to certain agitating questions of the day, it is important to notice that a proposal to eliminate the word "Protestant" from the title of the Church was defeated in each house by majorities so overwhelming, as to render it little likely to be soon revived.

A fitting sequel to the Convention was the Consecration, October 31st, in Grace Church, New York, of the Rev. Samuel J. Schereschewsky, Misssionary Bishop of China, in which service I had the privilege of taking part. The immense work which he had accomplished in the translation of the whole Bible into the Mandarin language marked him out as a suitable person for this very arduous charge, which he accepted with extreme reluctance. Our interest in this important Mission will be not a little increased by the fact that one of our own candidates for Holy Orders, Mr. Daniel M. Bates Jr., intends to join Bishop Schereschewsky, and devote himself to the work of Christ in that populous empire. Mr. Bates has just completed his preparatory studies, and, God willing, is to be ordained to the Diaconate in St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, on Trinity Sunday next, 16th inst.

There has been about the average growth in the additions to the Church by confirmation. As there have been a number of Pastoral changes, several of the new Rectors have not been settled sufficiently long to gather yet large increase. There have been

CONFIRMED,

In Church of the Ascension, Claymont,	1	person.
St. John's Church, Wilmington,	7	"
St. Andrew's " "	26	"
Trinity " "	4	"
Calvary " "	38	"
Christ " Christiana Hundred,	3	"
St. James', Newport,	4	"
St. James', Stanton,	5	"
St. Thomas', Newark,	6	"
Christ, Delaware City,	1	"
St. Anne's, Middletown,	6	"
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	1	"
Christ, Dover,	4	"
Christ, Milford,	8	"
St. John Baptist, Milton,	2	"
St. Luke's, Seaford,	2	"
Christ, Broad Creek,	5	"
St. Philip's Chapel, Laurel,	5	"
St. George's, Indian River,	1	"
St. John's, Greenville,	2	"
St. Mark's, Little Creek,	1	"
Grace, Baltimore Mills,	1	"
Total,	133	"

CLERICAL CHANGES.

The Rev. William C. Butler, whose resignation of St Anne's Church, Appoquinimink, was announced in my last address, took letters of dismission from this Diocese to Maryland, shortly after the Convention. The Rev. William G. W. Lewis, received from the Diocese of Pittsburgh, August 22nd, accepted in November last, a call to the Rectorship of St. Anne's, and entered upon his duties, December 1st, 1877. The Rev. William Murphy resigned the position of Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, Wilmington, in October, 1877, and removed to Maryland. Mr. Murphy's ministerial diligence and fidelity, and unobtrusive excellence of character, had given him a high place in the affection and esteem of those who knew him, and especially of those among whom he labored. The Rev. Arthur S. Johns, from Virginia, accepted a call to St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, was received into the Diocese, November 19th, 1877, and entered at once upon his charge. The Rev. John Linn McKim resigned the Rectorship of St. Peter's Church, Lewes, December 3d, 1877. The vacancy has not yet been filled.

The Rev. James H. B. Brooks resigned, January 7th, 1878, the Rectorship of St. Luke's Church, Seaford, and Christ Church, Broad Creek, where his labors for four years had been eminently successful, and has taken letters dimissory to the Diocese of Easton. The union of the two Parishes, a most laborious charge for a single minister, no longer continues, and from this separation permanently good results may be expected. Each Church has been since supplied with a resident Rector; Christ Church, including St. Philip's Chapel, Laurel, by the call of the Rev. Charles H. Mead, from Central Pennsylvania, who took charge April 1st, 1878; St. Luke's, Seaford, by the Rev. Samuel Davidson Hall, from Maryland, who entered upon his duties, April 8th, 1878. Regular services have been sustained for the last year in old Christ Church, and some tokens of revival are shown. A class of five persons was confirmed there on my recent visitation. The Church building commenced at Laurel remains in the same state as at last year's report. Of the diligent, faithful work that is going on throughout the Diocese, I would express to my clerical brethren my grateful appreciation, and my confident hope that the Lord will own and reward it.

The additions to our list of Clergy have been,

The Rev. Wm. G. W. Lewis, from the Diocese of Pittsburgh, Aug. 22, 1877.

The Rev. Wm. McCaulley Jefferis, ordained Sep. 23, 1877.

The Rev. Arthur S. Johns, from Virginia, Nov. 19, 1877.

The Rev. Charles H. Mead, from Central Pennsylvania, April 2, 1878.

The Rev. Samuel D. Hall, from Maryland, April 9, 1878.

REMOVED,

The Rev. William C. Butler, to Maryland, notice of acceptance dated August 4, 1877.

The Rev. John G. Bawn, to Pennsylvania, Oct. 8, 1877.

The Rev. George A. Latimer, to Pennsylvania, Oct. 10, 1877.

The Rev. William Murphy, to Maryland, Nov. 1, 1877.

The Rev. James H. B. Brooks, to Easton, Feb. 4, 1878.

The Rev. Joseph T. Wright, to Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Texas, March 16, 1878.

CANDIDATE FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

Daniel M. Bates, Jr., from Jan. 5, 1876.

FOR DEACON'S ORDERS.

Robert Wright, Jr., from May 4, 1876.

POSTULANT.

Martin Ball Dunlap, received July 2, 1877.

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

Rev. Joseph A. Stone. Rev. Charles S. Spencer.

It is known to the members of the Convention that a circular letter has been addressed by the Arch Bishop of Canterbury to the Bishops of our Church, inviting their presence at a Conference of Bishops of the Anglican Communion, to be held in July next, to which letter, as having historical interest, I give insertion in this address.

LAMBETH PALACE,
LONDON,
10th July, 1877.

RIGHT REVEREND AND DEAR BROTHER,

It is proposed to hold a Conference of Bishops of the Anglican Communion, at this place, beginning on TUESDAY, the SECOND day of JULY, Eighteen Hundred and Seventy-eight.

The Conference, it is proposed, shall extend over four weeks; the first week, of Four Sessions, to be devoted to discussions, in Conference, of the subjects submitted for deliberation; the second and third weeks to the consideration of these subjects in Committees; and the fourth week to final discussions, in Conference, and to the close of the Meeting.

The subjects selected for discussion are the following:—

1. The best mode of maintaining Union among the various Churches of the Anglican Communion.

2. Voluntary Boards of Arbitration for Churches to which such an arrangement may be applicable.

3. The relations to each other of Missionary Bishops and of Missionaries, in various branches of the Anglican Communion, acting in the same country.

4. The position of Anglican Chaplains and Chaplaincies on the Continent of Europe and elsewhere.

5. Modern forms of infidelity, and the best means of dealing with them.

6. The condition, progress, and needs, of the various Churches of the Anglican Communion.

I shall feel greatly obliged if, at your early convenience, you will inform me whether we may have the pleasure of expecting your presence at the Conference.

I am,

RIGHT REVERNED AND DEAR BROTHER,

Yours faithfully in Christ,

A. C. CANTUAR.

At the time when this communication was received I did not entertain a thought of acceptance, and answered the Arch Bishop that it was not at all probable that I should attend. On more mature reflection I have come to a different conclusion, and not without reluctance have decided, God willing, to be one of the Bishops representing our Church at that Conference. The assemblage will not possess any legislative authority, and can pass no acts binding upon our Church,

but it is easy to see that highly important and beneficial results may flow from such a meeting, composed of the chief Pastors of our Reformed Churches, from all quarters of the earth, one in faith, order and fraternal love.

It is my present purpose to embark from Philadelphia on the 20th instant, with the hope of returning, if so it please God, in October. I shall appoint the Standing Committee, the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, during my absence. I ask your prayers that the deliberations of this Conference may be guided and blessed by God, and affectionately desire to be remembered, together with my son, in the prayers of the congregations of this Diocese, on the Sunday preceding or following the day of embarkation.

In view of this expected absence, longer than any that I have made since entering upon my office, and of the uncertainties that overhang the future, I solmnly reaffirm the counsels and teachings which I have, from time to time, addressed to the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese. I desire to express my affectionate regard for every member of the flock over which the Holy Ghost hath made me overseer, and my gratitude for the kind consideration which I have ever experienced at their hands. Grace, mercy and peace be multiplied unto them from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

ALFRED LEE.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Stone, it was

Resolved, That a committee of two Clergymen and two Laymen be appointed to present a paper expressive of the feelings and sympathy of the Convention, in reference to the proposed absence of our Diocesan.

By request of the Bishop, the House appointed the committee.

The following gentlemen upon nomination at large were duly elected :

Rev. Messrs. Stone and Littell, and Messrs. Geo. B. Rodney and Ignatius C. Grubb.

The Rev. Mr. Stone presented and read an abstract of the proceedings of the Standing Committee for the past year.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee beg leave to offer the following Report.

JUNE 7th, 1877. The Committee met in St. Paul's Church, Georgetown, and organized by the election of the Rev. C. S. Spencer as President, and Rev. J. A. Stone as Secretary.

SEPTEMBER 13th, 1877. The Committee met at the house of the Bishop, in Wilmington. The Report to the general Convention, required by the Canon, was read and adopted. The proper Testimonials of Mr. Wm. McCaulley Jefferis seeking admission to the Diaconate were presented, read, and duly passed.

JANUARY 14th, 1878. The Committee met at the house of the President in Newcastle, and gave their consent to the consecration of the Rev. James Houston Eccleston, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of West Virginia. At the same meeting, the Committee voted not to give their consent to the consecration of the Rev. George Fox Seymour, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Springfield, Illinois.

APRIL 29th, 1878. The Committee met at the house of the Bishop and gave their consent to the consecration of the Rev. Alexander Burgess, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Quincy, Illinois. At the same meeting, they also gave their consent to the consecration of the Rev. George W. Peterkin, as Bishop of the Diocese of West Virginia.

JUNE 5th, 1878. The Standing Committee met in Immanuel Church, New Castle, and signed the Testimonial of Daniel M. Bates, Jr., recommending him for Ordination to the Order of Deacons.

J. A. STONE,

Secretary.

Mr. Rodney, a member of the Board of "Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church, of the Diocese of Delaware," made a statement of the condition of the investments, and also presented the report of the acting Treasurer, which was referred to a committee to audit.

The Bishop appointed Dr. Burr, Mr. Burnham and Mr. Lofland.

Dr. Clemson presented and read the report of the Missionary and Education Committee.

REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

The funds at the disposal of your Committee have been derived from the following sources:

Balance on hand, June 6, 1877,		105 77
" Collection at Missionary Service, last Convention,		14 02

FROM CHURCHES, FOR GENERAL PURPOSES.

Ascension, Claymont,	25 00	
St. John's, Wilmington,	20 00	
St. Andrew's, Wilmington, (Sunday School $25)	124 00	
Trinity, "	29 55	
Calvary, "	30 29	
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	74 20	
Immanuel, New Castle,	19 19	
St. James', Newport,	3 57	
St. James', Stanton,	4 68	
St Thomas', Newark,	6 00	
Christ Church, Delaware City,	39 00	
St. Anne's, Middletown,	9 00	
St. Peters, Smyrna,	8 32	
Christ Church, Dover,	34 46	
Christ Church, Milford,	5 00	
St. Stephen's Chapel, Harrington,	2 00	
St. John the Baptist, Milton,	2 00	
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	5 40	
St. Luke's, Seaford,	2 44	
Christ Church, Broad Creek & St. Philip's, Laurel,	6 00	
St. George's, Indian River,	13 50	
St. Mark's, Little Creek,	21 00	
St. John's, Greenville,	1 00	
		485 60

CHURCHES, SPECIAL.

St. John's, Wilmington, for Church at Laurel,	20 00	
St. Andrew's, " " " Milton,	25 00	
		45 00

FROM INDIVIDUALS.

Jesse Lane, ...	100 00	
Friends, per Bishop Lee, ...	100 00	
Samuel Harlan, ...	50 00	
S. M. Curtis, ...	50 00	
B. Simmons, ...	25 00	
G. Chandler, ...	25 00	
Bishop Lee, ...	25 00	
F. A. Curtis, ...	20 00	
Mrs. S. Canby, ...	10 00	
Rev. B. J. Douglass, ...	7 60	
J. C. Seeds, ...	6 00	
Young Men's Association, ...	17 20	
	———	435 80
Total		1086 19

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries, Rev. J. Leighton McKim, . .	200 00	
" " E. Weil, ...	150 00	
" " G. W. Johnson, . . .	700 00	
Church at Milton, ...	25 00	
" " Laurel, ...	20 00	
	———	1095 00
Balance due Treasurer, . . .		8 81

As compared with last year the receipts from Churches have fallen off, ... 49 49
From Individuals, ... 21 40
——— 70 89

The Committee were also without the help of a small balance in the Saving Bank of which they availed themselves last year. In consequence, there has been difficulty and embarrassment in meeting their payments, and it has been necessary to issue special appeals. The Committee would beg leave to remark that this is the work of the Convention and not of the Committee. They can only disburse the funds put into their hands, and are not responsible for non-fulfillment of pledges. As we close the Conventional year, not as heretofore with a small balance, but with an empty Treasury, it is very evident that if the work is to go on, there must be some increase of liberality and promptness. Can the Committee be informed by the Rec-

tors of the different Churches, beforehand, how so much they would be willing to pledge to this object, so that we may adjust our expenditures accordingly.

If we turn from financial difficulties to the aspect of our Missionary field, we find abundant encouragement not to be weary in well doing. Faithful, patient effort is making itself felt. Churches have been built, Congregations gathered, Sunday Schools established, services kept up in old Churches, new openings discovered, and the Church has become progressive where it had for years been retrograding. Considering the trifling amount expended we certainly have no reason to complain.

After having put our hand to the plow, shall we leave it in the furrow, or even look back? Your Committee believe that two thousand dollars would be by no means an excessive amount for the Diocese to raise for this important cause. Our Missionaries are hard at work. Their labors are welcomed. Their services are attended by increasing numbers. All that we need under the divine blessing, which will not fail us, is to give this work the place in our hearts and offerings which it so rightly merits.

ALFRED LEE
JOHN B. CLEMSON.
B. SIMMONS.

The Rev. Mr. Littell presented and read the report of the Registrar.

The Registrar of the Convention reports that he has received, during the past year, twenty eight (28) donations, from the Rev. Wm. Murphy, the Rev. Wm. D. Hanson, and the Secretaries and Registrars of various Dioceses. Among them are brief sketches of St. James' Church, Stanton, and St. James' Church, Newport.

It is suggested that the other Rectors and Missionaries prepare, or appoint some one to do so, similar histories of their several cures, for preservation among our archives.

T. GARDINER LITTELL, Registrar.

On motion of Mr. Culbreth, it was

Resolved, That the next Convention be held in Christ Church, Dover.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Clemson, the Convention pro-

ceeded to elect members of the Missionary and Education Committees.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. Mr. Hanson and Dr. Cummins to collect the ballots.

Mr. Grubb asked leave of absence for the remainder of the session, which, on motion, was granted.

Rev. Dr. Frost asked leave of absence, and it was also granted.

The tellers reported the ballot for members of the Missionary and Education Committees, and the Bishop announced that the Convention had elected the Rev. Dr. Clemson, Rev. D. D. Smith, Messrs. Bauduy Simmons and W. J. Fell.

On motion of Mr. Curtis, it was

Resolved, That the Convention will resume business immediately after the close of the Missionary service.

Mr. Martin, from the Committee to audit the Treasurer's accounts, reported they had examined them and found them correct, and that there was a balance in the Treasury of $106.27. *(For report see appendix.)*

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the Secretary was directed to have 400 copies of the Journal printed.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, it was

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Convention be directed to pay the account for the printing of the Journal when certified to be correct by the Secretary.

On motion of Dr. Cummins, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be tendered to the Rector, Wardens and Vestry of Immanuel Church, and to the citizens of New Castle, for their kindness and hospitality, and that the usual compensation be paid to the sexton of this Church.

On motion of Dr. Fowler, it was

Resolved, By the Clergy and Laity of this Diocese, in Convention assembled, that the Bishop be requested to set forth a form of prayer for his safety and welfare, to be offered in the public services of the Church, during his absence from the country.

Mr. Chandler, from the committee appointed to apportion the sum of $30,000 among the Parishes of the Diocese, presented the following report, which was read by the Secretary.

The Committee composed of the Treasurer of the Convention, the Treasurer of the Missionary Committee, and the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Church in the Diocese of Delaware, who were requested to apportion the sum of $30.000 among the Parishes of the Diocese as a Fund for the Endowment of the Episcopate, respecfully report, that the state of financial depression and business embarrassment, which has existed during the past year, has discouraged them from attempting to carry out the Resolution of the Convention. It was very evident that, under such circumstances,no practical result would ensue. Should the Convention desire to continue the Committee for this purpose they will give the matter their best attention, understanding that to make such assessment equitable, Parishes that have heretofore contributed will be credited with the full amount of such contributions.

Respecfully submitted,

GREGG CHANDLER.
BAUDUY SIMMONS.

On motion of Mr. Bates, the report was adopted, and the committee continued.

On motion of Mr. Rodney, it was

Resolved, That the Convention proceed to an election for "Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Delaware."

The Bishop appointed the following gentlemen to act as tellers.

Rev. Messrs. Gibson and Jefferis, Messrs. Martin and Sarde.

The Bishop announced that the hour for taking a recess had arrived.

On motion of Mr. Martin, the order for recess was suspended until after the vote then being taken was reported.

The tellers reported, and the Bishop declared that the two orders concurred in electing Hon. E. G. Bradford, Messrs. George B. Rodney, George D. Armstrong, George H. Bates, and George H. Raymond.

The House then took a recess.

IMMANUEL CHURCH, 8 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Convention assembled to attend the Missionary meeting.

Evening Prayer was read by the Rev. Messrs. Bettticher, Douglass, and Hall.

The 284th hymn was sung; addresses were delivered by the Bishop, the Rev. Mr. Hanson, and Mr. Bates; the usual collection was made for Diocesan Missions, and after the singing of the 291st hymn, the Bishop closed with prayers and the benediction.

The House resumed business.

Mr. Sarde moved that the "Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware," be instructed to change the securities now held by them for others more secure.

Mr. Bradford moved as a substitute, that the Trustees be authorized to change the investments, if, in their judgment, such change be advantageous.

The substitute was adopted, and the question being taken upon the subject thus amended, it was adopted.

Dr. Burr, on behalf of the committee appointed to examine the accounts of the acting Treasurer of the "Trustees," reported that they had examined them and found them correct.

The Rev. Mr. Stone presented and read the following report:

The committee appointed to present a Minute expressive of the feeling of the Convention in reference to the proposed absence of our Bishop from the Diocese, beg leave to offer the following:

Having been informed by the Bishop that he intends to visit England during the summer, to be present at some of the great religious gatherings of the Mother Church, we, the members of this Convention, would most sincerely and affectionately desire to tender to him our best wishes, and to offer our earnest prayers for the continuance of his health and safety during his absence, and that a kind Providence may return him to us and to his Diocese, in renewed health and vigor.

J. A. STONE,
T. GARDINER LITTELL,
GEORGE B. RODNEY,
IGNATIUS C. GRUBB.

On motion of Dr. Cummins, the report was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, it was

Resolved, That after the usual religious services, the Convention adjourn.

The minutes of the afternoon session were read and adopted.

The doxology was sung, and after prayer, the Bishop pronounced the benediction, and declared the Convention adjourned.

S. M. CURTIS, *Secretary*.

DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

THE RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, D. D., *Bishop and President of the Convention*. Residence, Wilmington.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Charles S. Spencer, *President*, New Castle.
" Joseph A. Stone, *Secretary*, Newark.
" Lewis W. Gibson.
Mr. S. Minot Curtis.
Dr. Horace Burr.

DEPUTIES TO GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass,
" J. Leighton McKim,
" T. Gardiner Littell,
S. Minot Curtis,
W. Jenks Fell,
George H. Raymond,
George H. Bates.

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

Rev. Joseph A. Stone, Rev. Charles S. Spencer.

MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., *Chairman*.
" John B. Clemson, D. D.,
" D. D. Smith,
Mr. Bauduy Simmons, *Treasurer*,
" William Jenks Fell.

TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rev. T. Gardiner Littell, Rev. William J. Frost, D. D.,
Rev. Lewis W. Gibson.

TRUSTEES OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

Hon. Edward G. Bradford, George H. Bates,
George B. Rodney, George D. Armstrong, *Treasurer.*
George H. Raymond.

REGISTRAR OF CONVENTION.

Rev. T. Gardiner Littell.

TREASURER OF CONVENTION.

Gregg Chandler, Wilmington.

SECRETARY OF CONVENTION.

S. Minot Curtis, Newark.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

E. A. Van Trump, Wilmington.

ATTEST, S. MINOT CURTIS, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Church of the Ascension, Claymont.

REV. J. B. CLEMSON, D. D., Rector Emeritus.
REV. CHARLES E. BETTICHER, Rector.

Baptisms—infant	5
Confirmed	1
Marriages	1
Burials	2
Communicants	65
Sunday School teachers	6
" scholars	50
Total	56

OFFERINGS.

Missions, Domestic	$ 55 84
" Foreign	55 95
" Diocesan	25 00
" Indians	151 00
Aged and Infirm Clergy	11 50
Society for Increase of the Ministry	16 50
An afflicted family	10 00
Episcopal endowment	5 00
Diocesan Expenses	40 00
Parochial purposes	1000 00
Alms	74 85
Sunday School, to various objects	71 73

On Easter day our parish was presented with a beautiful *solid silver* communion set by the wife and children of a former Warden, now in Paradise, as a memorial of his life and work here. By direction of the vestry, the old communion service has been sent to Bishop Hare, to be presented by him to some worthy Indian congregation in his diocese.

REV. J. B. CLEMSON, D. D., Rector Emeretus.

In the last Conventional year, I have endeavored to act up to my responsibility as a disciple, and fulfil my obligations as a minister of Christ. I have held divine service, generally in vacant parishes, most of the Sundays of the year. I have administered the Holy Communion twelve times, have baptized eight children, have solemnized one marriage, and officiated at one funeral.

Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred.

REV. WILLIAM M. JEFFERIS, Minister.

Communicants, present number	10
Sunday School Teachers	9
" " Scholars	75

OFFERINGS.

Communion Alms	$ 4 88
Offerings from Sunday School	31 22
Diocesan Charges	5 00
Current Expenses	155 50
	$ 196 60

The former Rector of the parish resigned April 9th, 1877. From April 22d, 1877, to October 22d, 1877, the Rev. Joshua Cowpland, Jr., of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, officiated once each Sunday. During the next six months, only occasional services were held. The Sunday School, however, has been in successful operation during the entire Convention Year, under the efficient superintendency of the Junior Warden of the parish, Mr. Lewis Smith.

The undersigned, at the request of the vestry, and after consultation with the Bishop, took charge of the parish, April 1st, 1878.

Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred.

REV. WILLIAM M. JEFFERIS, Minister.

Communicants, present number	6
Sunday School Teachers	3
" " Scholars	20

OFFERINGS.

(not reported last year)

Endowment of Episcopate	$ 6 12
For Sunday School Festival	23 56
Collections	6 81
Current Expenses	46 76
Total	83 25

During the past Convention Year no services were held in this church until June 2nd, 1878.

The present Minister was elected May 29th, 1878.

St. John's Church, Wilmington.

REV. T. GARDINER LITTELL, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult 3, infant 30, total	33
Confirmed	7
Communicants,—Number last reported	104
" Lost by removal	3
" Gained by removal	6
" Added,	4
" Present number	111
Marriages	5
Burials	7
Public Services,—On Sundays, 116; other days, 120; Total	236
Sunday Schools	3
Teachers	23
Scholars	172

Children catechised very briefly every Sunday, and more fully in the church, once each month.

CONTRIBUTIONS—PAROCHIAL.

Alms	$ 19 71	
Improvements	99 39	
Rectory	78 70	
Current Expenses	1379 01	
Legacies	5500 00	
		$7076 81

EXTRA—PAROCHIAL.

Endowment of Episcopate	$ 8 16	
Diocesan Charges	46 70	
Missions—Diocesan	24 05	
" Domestic	90 58	
" Colored People	10 00	
" Foreign	42 70	
" Chapel, Pennsgrove, N. J.,	10 00	
		$232 19
Total Contributions		$7309 00

St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

RT. REV. ALFRED LEE, D. D., Rector.
REV. FRANCIS E. ARNOLD, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—Infant 21, Adult 3, total		24
Confirmed		26
Communicants,—Number last reported	287	
" Died	6	
" Removed	11	
" Lost	4	
" Added	32	
" Present number		298
Marriages		5
Funerals		27

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

St. Andrew's, teachers, 29, Scholars		260
Robert Smith, (colored) teachers, 26, Scholars		250
55		510

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

St. Andrew's, Diocese of Delaware	$42 86	
" Cape Palmas Orphan Asylum	75 00	
" Mexico	27 00	
" Other Purposes	53 88	
		198 74
Robert Smith, Missions to colored People		28 00
		226 74

CHURCH OFFERINGS.

MISSIONS—Diocesan, per Missionary Com....	$366 00		
" Church building, Milton	25 00		
" Boxes for Missionaries.....	199 00		
		590 00	
Domestic—General Board	27 50		
" American Church Missionary Society	127 80		
" Bishop Whipple	70 00		
" Bishop Hare, Indians.....	35 00		
		260 30	
Foreign—General Board.....		125 00	
			$975 30
CHARITABLE—			
Communion Alms, and other aid.....	194 59		
Sufferers by fire, St. John's, N. B.....	78 00		
Diocesan Disabled Clergy Fund	65 00		$337 59
SOCIETIES—			
Ev. Education, (S. Harlan, Scholarship, 300)..	372 44		
State Bible.....	32 50		
Evangelical Knowledge.....	30 79		
			435 73
Diocesan Charges			175 00
(Current expenses not included)			$2150 36

The favoring hand of God during another year is gratefully acknowledged. Among our losses by death has been one who had been identified with this Parish from its foundation, and who was probably the oldest inhabitant of the City of Wilmington. Mr. Dell Noblit departed this life, January 21, 1878, having completed his 100th year the October preceding. His length of days, and consistent christian life had attracted towards him in a large degree the respect and veneration of the community in which he resided, and his death was mourned as a public loss. He had served for many years as Vestryman and Warden of St. Andrew's, and attended public worship four weeks before his departure. He was permitted to retain his faculties unimpaired, and his end was peace.

Calvary Church, Wilmington.

REV. B. H. LATROBE, JR., Rector.

Baptisms—Adult 7, infant 20,.....	27
Confirmed	38
Communicants, number last reported.....	149

Communicants, since died	4
" lost by removal	8
" lost otherwise	3
" added	51
" present number	185
Marriages	4
Funerals	16

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

No. of Teachers	27
" " Scholars	352
Average attendance of Teachers	25
" " " Scholars	225

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	30 09
" Foreign	11 00
Total	41 09
Com. Alms &c.	56 04
Society for "Increase of the Ministry"	10 22
Diocesan charges	40 00
Church repairs	15 55
Current expenses of Parish	1632 43
	$1795 33

N. B. The present Rector resigned his charge of this Parish, on the 3d of June, 1878, to take effect on the 31st of August.

This was done to enable him to take charge of the Seamen's Mission, in Philadelphia.

Christ Church, Christiana Hundred.

REV. DUDLEY D. SMITH, Rector.

Baptisms—infant	16
Confirmed	3
Communicants, number last reported	141
" since died	1
" added	6
" present number	146
Marriages	2
Funerals	3

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Teachers			17
Scholars			133

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Domestic Missions—Amer. Ch. Miss. Soc. collection	$170 68		
" do Church Treasury	6 15		
" do Ladies Auxiliary	284 17		
Diocesan Missions	74 20		
Freedmen "	30 00		
Indian "	75 00		
Seamen's "	25 00		
Destitute Churches	181 00		
Children's Aid Society, New York	10 00		
		$856	20
Foreign Missions—Collection	80 00		
" Five cent Collection	195 47		
" Sunday School boxes, &c	50 75		
" Women's Union Mis. Soc	125 00	451	22
Total for Missions		1,307	42
American Bible Society		51	00
" Tract "		35	00
Evangelical Education Society		65	00
Young Men's Christian Association		50	00
Episcopate and Convention		85	00
Communion Alms		73	14
Sunday School, for repairs and expenses		368	86
Total		$2,035	42

St. James' Church, Newport.

REV. W. D. HANSON, Rector.

Baptisms—infant		10
Confirmed		4
Communicants—number last reported		9
since died		1
lost by removal		1
lost otherwise		1
added		7
present number		13
Funerals		3

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Teachers	9
Scholars	45

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$	3 57
" Domestic		4 14
" Domestic—(from Sunday School)		11 00
" Foreign		88
Total	$	19 59
Diocesan charges		7 00
Parochial		253 94
Total	$	280 53

St. James' Church, near Stanton.

REV. W. D. HANSON, Rector.

Baptisms—infant	7
Confirmed	5
Communicants—number last reported	53
" since died	2
" lost by removal	4
" lost otherwise	1
" added	6
" present number	52
Funerals	8

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Teachers	5
Scholars	45

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$	4 38
" Domestic		6 86
" Foreign		7 61
Total	$	18 85
Communion Alms		16 36
Diocesan charges		33 00
Parochial		736 29
Total	$	804 50

Report of Rev. William A. Newbold.

I would respectfully report as a Presbyter of your Diocese, that, for the last year, as for nine years past, I have been occupied in the duties of my office, as Financial Secretary and General Agent of the American Church Missionary Society.

Times of financial depression have called for more than ordinary efforts in our care for our Missionaries in the domestic Field, and in Mexico, during the five years in which we had charge of that work, but the pulpits of the church, and the sympathies and resources of our people, have been freely opened to the appeals made, and the response has been liberal.

As statistics of the work have been annually presented in the reports of the society, they need not be repeated here.

St. Thomas' Church, Newark.

REV. JOSEPH A. STONE, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant	7
Confirmed	6
Communicants, Number last reported	56
" Added	6
" Present number	62
Marriages	1
Funerals	3
Sunday Schools,—Teachers	7
" Scholars	40
Bible Class,—Members	12

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 76 00		
" Domestic, Church Missionary Society	72 02	$148 02	
" Foreign	62 05		
" For Haiti	10 00		
Total		72 05	
Diocesan Disabled Clergy Fund	10 06		
Communion alms and Charitable aid	41 42		
Societies—Education	25 00		
Diocesan charges	35 00		
Parochial	70 00		
Debt on Church from Sewing circle	217 00	398 48	
Total		$618 55	

Christ Church, Delaware City.

REV. ELIAS WEIL, Rector and Missionary.

Baptisms—Infant	5
Confirmed	1
Communicants—last reported	42
" lost	2
" added	5
" present number	45
Families	34
Sunday School,—Teachers	7
" " Scholars	56
Church services	140
Sermons	127

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 39 00
" Domestic	29 00
" Foreign	8 00
" Aged and Disabled Clergy	15 00
" Communion Alms	24 53
" Nashotah	25 00
" Diocesan Charges	22 00
" Parochial Purposes	341 85
	$504 38

St. Anne's, Middletown.

REV. WM. G. W. LEWIS, Rector.

Baptisms, infant	12
" Adult	1
Total	13
Confirmed	6
Communicants, Number last reported	103
" Since died	1
" Lost by removal	10
" Lost otherwise	
" Added	
" Present number	86
Marriages	0
Funerals	4

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES.

Teachers	10
Scholars	50

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 9 00
" Domestic	6 00
" Foreign	4 00
Total	19 00
Communion alms and Charitable aid	25 17
Diocesan charges	48 00
Parochial	1080 00
Other purposes	100 00
Total	$1291 17

St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.

REV. A. S. JOHNS, Rector.

Baptisms—adult, infant 8, total		8
Confirmed		1
Communicants, Number last reported	57	
" Gained by transfer	11	
" Gained otherwise	8	
Aggregate		76
" Lost by death	2	
" Lost by transfer	3	
" Lost otherwise	3	
" Present number		68
Marriages		2
Funerals		5
Sunday Schools	2	
Teachers	18	
Scholars	105	
S. S. Contributions		$77 17

CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 4 00		
" Domestic	9 11		
" Foreign	24 00		
			37 11
Disabled Clergy Fund	$ 2 50		
Communion Alms	34 46		
Charitable Aid	3 25		
			40 21
Societies—Education	4 32		
Bible	10 00		
			14 32
Diocesan—Diocesan charges	48 00		
Parochial	1301 50		
Rectory Subscription	413 74		
Ladies' Church Aid Society	30 00		
Other purposes	35 00		
Missionary Bishops' Fund	19 74		
			1857 98
Rectory Society, (Ladies)			65 00
Total			$2014 62

Christ Church, Dover.

REV. LEWIS W. GIBSON, Rector.

Baptisms—infant 7, adult 2: total		9
Confirmed		4
Communicants—Number last reported		67
" Died	2	
" Removed	2	
" Added by first Communion	3	
" " " removal	6	
" Present number		72
Marriages		1
Burials		5
Sunday School, in Dover, Scholars		60
" " " " Teachers		10
" " " Camden, Scholars		40
" " " " Teachers		7

Public Services—Sundays, 104; other days 106; total..... 210

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial—Salary of Rector	$975 00		
" House for Rector	150 00		
" Church improvements	229 54		
" Parsonage Fund	60 00		
" Incidental Expenses	251 83		
" Sunday School	58 95		
" Charity	22 80		
		$1748	12
Extra Parochial—Fund for Disabled Clergy	$ 19 35		
" Diocesan Fund	45 00		
" Endowment Fund	8 33		
" Diocesan Missions	43 82		
" Domestic Missions	11 91		
" Foreign Missions	1 88		
		130	29
Total		$1878	41

Christ Church, Milford.

REV. J. LEIGHTON MCKIM, Rector.

Baptisms—adult 1, infant 14, total		15
Confirmations		8
Communicants—Number last reported	70	
" Since died	2	
" Lost by removal	5	
" Added by removal	7	
" Added by first Communion	6	
" Present number		76
Marriages		3
Burials		8
Sunday School Teachers		10
" " Pupils (including St. Stephen's,)		70
Services—on Sundays	74	
" other days	96	
" at St. Stephen's	38	
		208

OFFERINGS.

Diocesan Missions	$ 20 00
" Charges	30 00
Christmas Festival	15 00
From the Sunday School	20 00
Interest on Church debt	60 00
Current Expenses (including salary,)	500 00
Total collections at St. Stephen's	20 00
Total	$665 00

Twelve of the communicants reported above, worship at St. Stephen's Chapel, Harrington. Ten others reside in the vicinity of old St. Matthew's Church, Cedar Creek.

Church of St. John Baptist, Milton.

REV. J. LEIGHTON MCKIM, Rector.

Baptisms	2
Confirmations	2
Communicants—number last reported	7
" lost by removal	3
" added	3
" present number	7
Sunday School Teachers	4
" " pupils	20
Services on Sundays	37
" other days	3 40

COLLECTIONS.

Diocesan charges	$ 5 00
Minister's salary, (1877)	45 00
For the Sexton	6 00
Furnace	110 00
Cellar and flue	40 00
	$206 00

There is a debt upon the Church of $400. Since Advent, services have been held every Sunday afternoon.

St. Paul's Church, Georgetown.

REV. B. J. DOUGLASS, Rector.

Baptisms—infant	10
Communicants—number last reported	57
" since died	1
" lost by removal	7
" added	2
" present number	51
Marriages	2
Funerals	6

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Teachers	8
Scholars	50

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Sunday School and Parish purposes	$ 61 34
Incidental expenses	140 27
Envelope collections	412 78
Collection for repairs	129 50
Ladies' Church Aid Society	24 70
Diocesan Missions	22 42
Domestic "	8 00
Foreign "	5 00
Diocesan charges	25 00
Education, Bible, Prayer Books	10 00
Disabled Clergy Fund	10 00
	$839 01
Public services—Sunday, 98; week days, 49; total	147

St. Peter's Church, Lewes.

WM. P. ORR, Warden.

Baptisms—infant	1
Communicants—Died	
" Removals	
" Present number	25
Public Services about	40
Marriages	2
Burials	
Sunday School Teachers	8
" " Scholars	60

COLLECTIONS.

Episcopal Fund	$15 00
Convention "	5 00
Communion alms	10 00
Salary of Clergyman	
Incidental expenses	$50 00

REMARKS.—Current expenses not included.

St. Luke's Church, Seaford.

REV. S. D. HALL, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 19; Adult 1; total		20
Confirmed		2
Communicants, Number last reported	136	
" Since died	1	
" Lost by removal	3	
" Added by Confirmation	2	
" Present number	134	
Marriages		4
Funerals		4

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Teachers	16
Scholars	175

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Of Sunday School	$17 73
Missions—Diocesan	2 44
Diocesan Disabled Clergy Fund	3 61
Communion alms and Charitable aid	31 74
Diocesan charges	40 00
Parochial, (Rector's salary not included)	123 49
Total in the Parish	219 01

The Rev. J. H. B. Brooks resigned the charge of this Parish, February 1st, 1878. During the vacancy of two months, the Rev. George Hall held services at the request of the Wardens. The present Rector entered upon his duties, April 1st, 1878. I found the Parish in a

flourishing condition. Under the very zealous rectorship of my predecessor, it had grown very rapidly. There was a small debt upon the Parish, but every effort is made to pay it off at an early day. $58 87 have been paid on it since last Convention.

Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Philip's Chapel, Laurel.

CHAS. H. MEAD, Rector.

Baptisms: infant, 3; adult, 4; total	7
Confirmed	10
Communicants:	
" last reported	65
" since died	4
" removed	9
" ceased, (for one year or more)	3
" added	3
" present number	52
Marriages none.	
Funerals	7
Sunday Schools	2
" " Teachers	8
" " Scholars	60
Bible Class (adult)	1

Attendance from 25 to 40.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions	$7 08
Foreign "	6 28
Total	$13 36
Diocesan Disabled Clergy Fund	$3 53
Communion alms	13 94
Society for the increase of the Ministry	3 73
Diocesan Charges	14 00
Parochial	132 00
Total	$180 76

The present Rector has been here only since Easter, April 21st, and has been unable to learn all the items for a complete report. The present number of communicants reported includes those, and those only, who have received the sacrament within the year.

Report of Rev. Geo. W. Johnson, Missionary in Sussex Co.

RT. REV. ALFRED LEE, D. D., D. C. L.:

As your Missionary, I would respectfully report:

Services on Sunday	128
Week day services	34
Baptisms—infant, 19; adult, 4; total	23
Confirmed	2
Communicants—reported last year	72
" since died	2
" lost by removal	2
" present number under my charge	70
Marriages	4
Funerals	2
Sunday Schools—Teachers	10
" " Scholars	125

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$34 50
New York prayer book society	5 00
Diocesan charges	10 00
Other purposes	25 00
Towards the salary of your Missionary	70 00

The above services were about equally divided between St. George's, Indian River, Long Neck, St. Mark's, Little Creek and Collins' School House, Little Creek Hundred, except occasional help given to neighboring ministers.

The following is a detailed account of the work:—

St. George's, Indian River.

Marriages	4
Burials	2
Baptisms—infant, 15; adult, 4; total	19
Holy communion	4
Public services—Sunday, 25; week day, 7; total	32
Communicants—last year	25
" died	2
" removed to other congregations	2
" added by confirmation	1
" present number	22

Sunday School Teachers	4
" " Scholars	35

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Incidental expenses	$ 15 00
Episcopal and Convention fund	5 50
Diocesan Missions	13 50
Salary of Missionary	50 00
Total	$83 00

Chapel, Long Neck.

Public services—Sunday, 26; week day, 5; total	31
Holy communion	4
Sunday School Teachers	1
" " Scholars	15
Communicants—last year	14
" removed to other congregations	2
" present number	12

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Episcopal and Convention fund	$ 2 50
Salary of Missionary	20 00
Total	$22 50

St. Mark's.

Public services—Sunday, 26; week day, 6; total	32
Baptisms—infant	4
Holy communion	4
Communicants—last year	33
" removed to other congregations	2
" added by confirmation	1
" present number	32
Sunday School Teachers	5
" " Scholars	35

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Episcopal and Convention fund	$ 2 00
Diocesan Missions	21 00
Church, expenses and new carpet, &c	15 00
	$38 00

Collins' School House.

Public services—Sunday, 26; week day, 8; total	34
Sunday School Teachers	5
" " Scholars	40

During the year I have distributed 60 prayer books from the New York Prayer Book Society, 24 bibles and some testaments from the Sussex County Bible Society, also tracts or papers at nearly every service in the different congregations under my charge. A severe storm prevented the confirmation of six candidates at Collins' School House.

St. John's Church, Greenville.

REV. WILLIAM R. ELLIS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant	3
Confirmed	2
Communicants, Number last reported	36
" Since died	1
" Added	5
" Present number	40
Marriages	2
Funerals	4

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Teachers	7
Scholars	45

OFFERINGS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 1 00	
" Domestic, per A. C. M. Society	2 00	
Total		3 00
Communion Alms		5 00
Diocesan charges		7 00
Parochial		15 00
Other purposes		5 00
Total		$35 00

Grace Church, Baltimore Mills.

REV. WILLIAM R. ELLIS, Rector.

Confirmed	1
Communicants—Number last reported	9
" Added	1
" Present number	10
Funerals	1

OFFERINGS.

Missions—Domestic, per A. C. Society	$ 2 00
Diocesan Charges	2 00
Other Purposes	6 00
Total	$10 00

St. Mark's Church, Millsboro.

REV. WILLIAM R. ELLIS, Rector.

Communicants—Number last reported	7
" Lost by removal	2
" Present number	5
Marriages	8
Funeral	1

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Teachers	7
Scholars	40

OFFERINGS.

Communion alms, and charitable aid	$5 00
Diocesan charges	3 00
Parochial	15 00
Other purposes	5 00
Total	$28 00

Trinity Church, Wilmington.

REV. WILLIAM J. FROST, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms—infant, 39; adult, 2; total	41
Communicants	250
Marriages	4
Funerals	28

Sunday Schools—Scholars	300
" " Teachers	40
Sewing School—Scholars	200
" " Teachers	20

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parish uses	$3,732 70
Charities	532 83
Total	$4,265 53

Immanuel Church, New Castle.

C. S. SPENCER, Rector.

Baptisms—infant, 16; adult, 4; total	20
Confirmed	
Communicants—number last reported	127
" since died	3
" lost by removal	2
" added	6
" present number	128
Marriages	4
Funerals	9

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES.

Teachers	20
Scholars	200

COLLECTIONS.

Sunday School Library	$ 8 23
General purposes	111 45
Indian commission	10 20
Bishop White Prayer Book Society	4 02
Diocesan Missions	19 19
Nashotah	11 15
Bishop Vail	21 00
Disabled Clergy fund	4 39
Domestic Missions	122 71

Bishop Morris	25 36
Foreign Missions	86 51
Rev. Joseph T. Wright	15 59
Freedmen's Department	7 79
Jews	5 25
Auxiliary Aid Society	50 00
	452 84
From Mite Chests	27 24
Communion Alms	115 20
Total	$645 28

APPORTIONMENT

FOR DIOCESAN CHARGES UNDER CANON X.

Ascension, Claymont	$37 00
Grace, Brandywine Hundred	5 00
Calvary, " "	5 00
St. John's, Wilmington	48 00
St. Andrew's, "	175 00
Trinity, "	150 00
Calvary, "	40 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred	85 00
Immanuel, New Castle	88 00
St. James', Newport	7 00
St. James', Stanton	25 00
St. Thomas', Newark	80 00
Christ Church, Delaware City	20 00
St. Anne's, Appoquinimink	45 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna	45 00
Christ Church, Dover	45 00
Christ Church, Milford	30 00
St. John Baptist, Milton	5 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown	25 00
St. Peter's, Lewes	20 00
St. George's, Indian River	8 00
St. Luke's, Seaford	40 00
Christ Church, Broad Creek St. Philip's, Laurel	14 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro	3 00
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills	2 00
St. John's, Greenville	7 00
St. Mark's, Little Creek	2 00

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Clergy canonically resident	26
Candidates for Orders and Postulants	8
Clergymen settled in Parishes, and Missionaries	21
" having more than one charge	7
" received	4
" dismissed	6
Deacons ordained	1
Parishes	31
Churches and Chapels	35
Baptisms, so far as reported—infant 277, adult 32, total	309
Confirmed	133
Communicants—removed	79
" died	33
" lost otherwise	17
" added	188
" present number	2063
Marriages	59
Funerals	159
Sunday Schools—Teachers	356
" " Scholars	2900

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions, Diocesan	$1,077 12	
" Domestic	1,784 90	
" Foreign	1,004 08	
Total		$3,868 90
Disabled Clergy Fund		144 89
Charitable		1.407 91
Diocesan Charges		790 70
Endowment of Episcopate		27 61
Education, Bible, Prayer Book &c., Societies		752 94
Other purposes		247 91
Parochial		22,620 50
Total		$29,856 86

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention will be held in Christ Church, Dover, on the first Wednesday in June, 1879.

Parochial.	Other Purposes.	Total.	Current Expenses.
$1071 73	.....	$1517 87	Included.
77 13	.....	83 25	Contrib. not rep. last year.
186 72	.....	196 60	Included.
7057 10	.....	7309 00	Included.
53 88	.....	2150 36	Not included.
3732 70	.....	4265 53	Included.
1647 98	.....	1795 33	"
368 86	.....	2035 42	Not included.
169 68	.....	645 28	"
253 94	.....	280 53	Included.
736 29	.....	804 50	"
287 00	.....	618 55	Not included.
341 85	.....	504 38	Included.
1080 00	100 00	1291 17	"
1810 24	131 91	2086 11	"
1725 32	.....	1878 41	"
615 00	.....	665 00	"
201 00	.....	206 00	"
768 59	.....	839 01	"
50 00	.....	80 00	Not included.
85 00	.....	105 50	Included.
123 49	.....	219 01	Not included.
132 00	.....	180 76	Included.
15 00	.....	38 00	"
15 00	5 00	35 00	"
15 00	5 00	28 00	"
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AN ACT

To authorize the Protestant Episcopal Church in this State to raise a fund for the support of a bishop, and to aid missionaries and necessitous ministers, their widows and children.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met,* That the Hon. James Booth, Doctor James W. Thompson, William T. Read, Esq., Caleb S. Layton, Esq., and General Richard Mansfield, be and they are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic, by the name of "The Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the diocese of Delaware," and by that name shall have perpetual succession; and may purchase, take and receive, by deed, gift or otherwise, any property, real, personal or mixed, and have and hold the same; contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded as natural persons: *Provided however,* that the property of the said corporation and the funds thereof, shall never be applied to any other purpose than for the support and comfortable maintenance of a Bishop of said church within said diocese, and to aid the missionaries, and necessitous ministers of the said church, their widows and children.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the said trustees shall hold their office until the next ensuing annual Convention of the said Protestant Episcopal Church of the said diocese of Delaware, and until their successors in office shall be appointed and qualified; at which said next annual convention, and at every annual Convention thereafter, trustees shall be appointed pursuant to such rules, by-laws, or canons of the said church, as may be in force at the time of such appointment: *Provided,* the same be not repugnant to the constitution and laws of this State.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the property or funds of the said corporation shall never be sold, alienated, or otherwise disposed of unless for the purpose of reinvesting the proceeds thereof, or appropriating the same as hereinafter provided; which the said annual Convention may authorize and require said trustees to do, under such rules, limitations and restrictions as the said Convention may from time to time adopt: *Provided,* that the clear annual income and profits of the said corporation arising from the property, or funds so held by it, shall not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That the Legislature hereby reserves the power of revoking, altering and amending this act: but such revocation, alteration or amendment shall in no case divest the property, funds, money or rights acquired under its provisions; nor divert them from the purposes herein expressed; but such property, funds, money and rights of said corporation, in case of such revocation, shall enure to the said annual Convention, for the uses and purposes herein-before mentioned.

Passed at Dover, February 6, 1845.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS.

DR. *G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.*

1877.				
June 6	To Balance in Treasury			$170 16
"	To cash from	Immanuel, New Castle		88 00
"	" "	St. James', Stanton		33 00
"	" "	St. Thomas', Newark		38 00
"	" "	Christ, Delaware City		22 00
"	" "	St. Anne's, Appoquinimink		52 00
"	" "	St. Peter's, Smyrna		48 00
"	" "	Christ, Dover		38 00
"	" "	Christ, Milford		30 00
"	" "	St. John Baptist, Milton		5 00
"	" "	St. Paul's, Georgetown		25 00
"	" "	St. Peter's, Lewes		20 00
"	" "	St. George's, Indian River		8 00
"	" "	St. Luke's, Seaford		40 00
"	" "	Christ, Broad Creek, & St. Philip's, Laurel.		14 00
"	" "	St. Mark's, Millsboro		8 00
"	" "	Grace, Baltimore Mills		2 00
"	" "	St. John's, Greenville		7 00
"	" "	St. Mark's, Little Creek		2 00
" 12	" "	Grace, Brandywine Hundred		2 50
July 17	" "	Ascension, Claymont		48 00
1878.				
Feb. 8	" "	Trinity Church, Wilmington, for 1876		75 00
Ap. 18	" "	St. John's, Wilmington for 1876		55 00
May 21	" "	Christ, Christiana Hundred for 1877		85 00
" 21	" "	Calvary, Wilmington		40 00
" 25	" "	St. Andrew's, Wilmington		175 00
"	" "	Trinity Church, Wilmington, for 1876		
				1120 66

Gregg Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware. CR.

1877.				
June 7	By cash paid		S. M. Curtis, for expenses on Journals, &c.	$10 89
"	"	"	Sexton of St. Paul's, Georgetown	5 00
" 11	"	"	Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.	348 00
" 26	"	"	James & Webb	156 00
Sept. 19	"	"	S. M. Curtis, for General Convention	81 00
1878.				
Feb. 12	"	"	Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.	105 00
Mar. 27	"	"	Lloyd W. Wells, for General Convention	27 00
May 21	"	"	James & Webb	2 00
June 3	"	"	Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.	280 00
1878.				
June 6			Balance in Treasury	106 27
				1120 66

Examined and found correct.

E. L. MARTIN,
J. P. ARMSTRONG.

[SUPPLEMENTARY.]

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.

1878. DR.

June 5	To Balance in Treasury			$ 106 27
"	To Cash from	Grace,	Brandywine Hundred	5 00
"	"	"	Immanuel, New Castle	88 00
"	"	"	St. James', Stanton	38 00
"	"	"	St. Thomas', Newark	35 00
"	"	"	Christ, Delaware City	22 00
"	"	"	St. Anne's, Appoquinimink	48 00
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"	"	"	St. Peter's, Lewes	20 00
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"	"	"	St. Luke's, Seaford	40 00
"	"	"	Christ Church, Broad Creek, & St. Philip's, Laurel.	14 00
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"	"	"	St. John's, Greenville	7 00
"	"	"	St. Mark's, Little Creek	2 00
" 10	"	"	Christ Church, Milford	30 00
"	"	"	St. John Baptist, Milton	5 00

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.

1878. CR.

June 5	By Cash paid	S. M. Curtis, Secretary, for expenses on Journals, &c.		$ 29 50
"	"	"	Sexton of Immanuel Church, New Castle	5 00
" 10	"	"	Rev. T. G. Littell	1 12
" 11	"	"	Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.	317 00

Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Delaware,
DR. *in account with the Episcopal Fund.*

1877.		
June 6	To balance	$3989 10
July 14	From Christ Church, Dover	8 33
" 20	" St. John's, Wilmington	8 16
Oct. 1	Interest on $9000 Phila.. & Erie R. R. bonds	270 00
1878.		
Feb. 1	" " temporary investments	158 72
		4,434 31
1878.		
Feb. 25	Balance from late Treasurer	164 81
April 1	Interest on $9000, Phila & Erie R. R. bonds.	270 00
June 1	" " $4000 Philadelphia and Reading bonds	140 00
		$574 81

Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Delaware, in account with the Episcopal Fund. CR.

1877.			
Oct. 1	Cash paid Bishop Lee		$ 270 00
1878.			
Feb. 1	$4000 Phil. and Reading R. R. consolidated bonds, less 2 months accrued interest	$46.67	3953 33
" 1	Interest charged above		46 67
" 25	Balance paid by late Treasurer		164 31
			4,434 31
1878.			
Feb. 25	Cash paid Bishop Lee		112 05
April 1	" " " "		270 00
June 1	" " " "		110 00
" 5	Balance		52 26
			$ 574 31

"Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Dela-
DR. *ware," in account with the Fund for Disabled Clergy.*

1877.		
June 6	Balance	$561 89
Oct. 1	Interest on $1000 Phila. and Erie bond	30 00
Nov. 5	" " $1000 Wilmington City loan	33 60
Dec. 1	Cash from Immanuel Church, New Castle	4 39
" 29	" " St. Thomas', Newark	10 06
1878.		
Jan. 2	" " Christ Church, Dover	19 85
"	" " St. Paul's, Georgetown, (special)	10 00
" 23	" " St. Peter's, Lewes, (special)	8 50
Feb. 1	" Interest on temporary investment	18 90
		$691 69
1878.		
Feb. 25	Balance received from late Treasurer	578 19
April 1	Interest on $1000 Phila and Erie bond	30 00
June	Cash from St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington	65 00
"	" " Ascension Church, Claymont	11 50
"	" " St. Peter's Church, Smyrna	2 50
"	Collection at Convention	21 64

Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Delaware, in account with Fund for Disabled Clergy. CR.

1877.		
July 21	Cash paid Rev. K. J. Stewart	$100 00
1878.		
Jan. 2	" " " " "	18 50
Feb. 25	Balance paid by late Treasurer	578 19
		$691 69

OFFERINGS REQUIRED BY CANON.

Missions in the Diocese, per Missionary and Education Committee—Semi-annually.

Treasurer, BAUDUY SIMMONS, Wilmington.

Apportionment for Diocesan Charges.

Treasurer, GREGG CHANDLER, Wilmington.

Endowment of Episcopate and Fund for Relief of Sick and Disabled Clergymen.

Treasurer, GEORGE D. ARMSTRONG, Wilmington.

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LIST

OF ALL THE

Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church,

Canonically resident in the Diocese of Delaware.

JUNE 4, 1879.

*Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.
*Rev. John Baker Clemson, D. D., Rector Emeritus of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont
*Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass, Minister in charge of St. Paul's Church, Georgetown, and Missionary in Sussex Co.
*Rev. William Robert Ellis, Rector of St. John's Church, Greenville, St. Mark's, Millsboro, and Grace Church, Baltimore Mills P. O. Millsboro.
*Rev. William J. Frost, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington.
*Rev. Lewis W. Gibson, Rector of Christ Church, Dover.
*Rev. William B Gordon, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.
*Rev. George Hall, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Lewes.
*Rev. Samuel D. Hall Rector of St. Luke's Church, Seaford.
*Rev. William D. Hanson, Rector of St James' Church, Stanton, and St. James'. Newport. P. O., Faulkland
*Rev William McCaulley Jefferis, Professor in Delaware College, and Rector of Grace Church and Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred. P. O., Newark.
*Rev. George W. Johnson, Rector of St. George's Church, Indian River, St. Mark's, Little Creek, and Missionary. P. O., Georgetown.
*Rev. Wm G. W. Lewis, Rector of St. Anne's Church, Appoquinimink. P. O. Middletown
*Rev. T. Gardiner Littell, Rector of St. John's Church, Wilmington.
*Rev. John W. Kaye, Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.
Rev. John Linn McKim, residing at Georgetown.
*Rev. John Leighton McKim, Rector of Christ Church, Milford, St. John Baptist, Milton, and Missionary at Harrington.
*Rev. Charles H. Mead, Rector of Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Philip's, Laurel.
Rev. R Hebba Murphy, residing at Wilmington.
Rev. William A. Newbold, Secretary of the American Church Missionary Society. P. O., New York.
*Rev. Dudley D. Smith Rector of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred.
*Rev. Charles S. Spencer, Rector of Immanuel Church, New Castle.
*Rev. Kensey Johns Stewart, residing at Lewes.
*Rev. Joseph A. Stone, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Newark.
Rev. William George Ware, Rector of Calvary Church, Wilmington.
Rev. Elias Weil, residing at Germantown, Pennsylvania.

ALFRED LEE,

Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Delaware.

* Designates those entitled to seats in this Convention.

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES,

Certificates of whose election by their respective Churches were presented and approved.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY.

ASCENSION CHURCH, *Claymont.*—Jos. B. Wilson, William C. Lodge.
GRACE CHURCH, *Brandywine Hd.*—Louis Smith, *Thos. B. Hannum.
CALVARY CHURCH, *Brandywine Hd.*—David Shaw, *Robert Salisbury.
ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, *Wilmington.*—Gregg Chandler, George H. Bates.
TRINITY CHURCH, *Wilmington.*—Horace Burr, M. D., Walter Cummins.
CALVARY CHURCH, *Wilmington.*— ————————, ————————
ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, *Wilmington.*—Isaac S. Elliot, George A. Elliot.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Christiana Hd* —William Luke, Robert Leithead.
IMMANUEL CHURCH, *New Castle.*—Thomas Holcomb, *Ferdinand Lechler.
ST. JAMES' CHURCH, *Stanton.*—Thomas Bracken, Robert C. Justis.
ST. JAMES' CHURCH, *Newport.*—Wm. Jenks Fell, *J. Poulson Armstrong.
ST. THOMAS' CHURCH. *Newark* —*S. M. Curtis, Alfred A Curtis.
CHRIST CHURCH. *Delaware City.*—Joseph S. Dunlap *Everett Von Culin.
ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, *Appoquinimink.*—Horatio N. Willitts, Samuel R. Stevens.

KENT COUNTY.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, *Smyrna.*—Wm. Cummins, M. D., W. T. Cavender.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Dover.*—Edward Ridgely, James P. Wild.
CHRIST CHURCH. *Milford*, and ST. STEPHEN'S CHAPEL, *Harrington.*— } James R. Lofland, R. H. Gilman.

SUSSEX COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, *Georgetown.*—Jacob Moore, Benjamin Burton.
ST. PETER'S CHURCH, *Lewes.*—Wm. P. Orr, Charles W. Whiley Jr.
ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, *Seaford.*—*Edward L. Martin, *M. Coulborne.
ST. MARK'S CHURCH, *Millsboro.*—Henry C. Frame, George T. Dodd.
CHRIST CHURCH. *Broad Creek* and ST. PHILIP'S CHAPEL, *Laurel.*— } *Edw. Fowler, M.D., Benj. J. Moore.
ST. JOHN BAPTIST, *Milton.*—*James Ponder, *N. D. Welch.
ST. MARK'S CHURCH, *Little Creek Hd.*—John H. O'Neill, *Jos. C. Ellis.
ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, *Greenville.*—Wm. E. Cannon, Joseph S. Jones.
ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, *Indian River.*—Wm. C. Burton, *John B. Burton.
GRACE CHURCH, *Baltimore Mills.*— ————————, ————————

*Absent.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

CHRIST CHURCH, DOVER, June 4, 1879.

This being the day appointed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware, for the meeting of the Annual Convention, the Bishop of the Diocese and a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled at nine o'clock in the morning, in Christ Church, Dover.

The Convention was called to order by the Bishop. The Secretary of the last Convention not being present, on motion of Mr. Chandler, the Rev. Mr. Littell was elected Secretary *pro tempore*, and, by direction of the Bishop, proceeded to call the names of the Clergy of the Diocese, entitled to seats, when the following answered to their names and took their seats, viz :

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.	Rev. Geo W. Johnson,
Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D.,	" Wm. G. W. Lewis,
" Wm. J. Frost, D. D.,	" T. Gardiner Littell,
" Lewis W. Gibson,	" J. Leighton McKim,
" Samuel D. Hall,	" Charles S. Spencer,
" William M. Jefferis,	" Joseph A Stone.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. Mr. McKim and Mr. Fell, a committee to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates.

Of the Lay Delegates reported by the committee as duly elected, the following answered to their names and took their seats, viz :

Gregg Chandler,
Geo. H. Bates,
Horace Burr, M. D.,
Walter Cummins,
Isaac S. Elliott,
Thomas Bracken,
Wm. Jenks Fell,
Joseph S. Dunlap,
Horatio N. Willitts,
William Cummins, M. D.,
Edward Ridgely,
George T. Dodd,
Benjamin J. Moore.

The Bishop announced the next business in order to be the election of Secretary, and appointed the Rev. Lewis W. Gibson and Dr. Cummins, to collect the votes.

Dr. Burr nominated Mr. Geo. H. Bates. The tellers, upon counting the votes, reported that twenty-two votes had been cast, of which Mr. Bates had received twenty-one, and the Rev. Mr. Jefferis one.

The Bishop announced, as the result of the ballot, that Mr. Bates had been duly elected, and the Convention was duly organized for business.

Mr. Fell moved that a committee be appointed to prepare an expression of the appreciation, by the Convention, of the services of Mr. S. M. Curtis, as Secretary of the Convention for many years, which motion prevailed. The Bishop subsequently appointed as such committee the Rev. Dr. Frost, the Rev. Mr. Spencer, and Messrs. Fell and Cannon.

On motion, the Secretary was authorized to appoint an assistant.

Dr. Cummins moved that the Rules of Order of the last Convention be adopted as the Rules of Order of the present session.

By direction of the Bishop they were read by the Secretary, after which the motion prevailed, and the Rules of Order as read, were adopted, as follows, viz :

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, nor shall afterward stand up unless to address the Chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall rise from his seat, and, without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

6. If a question in debate contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

7. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the House, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered as before the House unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing, when required.

10. When any question is before the House, it shall be determined on before anything new is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other. and without debate.

12. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the Chair.

13. The Journals of the Convention shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and a copy sent to each member of the Convention.

14. The Charge or Sermon, when delivered by the Bishop before the Convention, shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and one copy sent to each Clergyman, and ten copies to each Vestry in the Diocese.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, it was

Resolved, That this Convention will meet daily at 9 o'clock A. M., to transact business; take a recess from 1 to 3 o'clock and from 6 to 8 o'clock P. M.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Lewis, it was

Resolved, That Clergymen of this Diocese not entitled to seats, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and candidates for Holy Orders, who may be present, be invited to attend the sittings of this Convention.

Under this invitation there were present the Rev. R. Heber Murphy and the Rev. Wm. G. Ware of the Diocese of Delaware, and the Rev. John F. Potter, of the Diocese of New York.

Mr. Chandler presented the account of Mr. George D. Armstrong, the Treasurer of the "The Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware," and moved that a committee be appointed to audit the same, which motion prevailed, and the Bishop appointed as such committee Messrs. Isaac S. Elliott and Benjamin J. Moore.

Mr. Chandler also presented his account as the Treasurer of Convention, and the Bishop appointed Dr. Burr and Dr. Cummins a committee to audit the same.

The House then took a recess for divine service.

Morning prayer to the lessons was read by the Rev. Samuel D. Hall, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Seaford. The lessons by the Rev. R. Heber Murphy, of Wilmington. The Creed and prayers following with the Litany, by the Rev. J. B. Clemson, D. D., Rector Emeritus of the Church of Ascension, Claymont.

The 128th hymn was sung; the Commandments were read by the Bishop; the Epistle by the Rev. Lewis W. Gibson, Rector of Christ Church, Dover, and the Gospel by the Bishop.

After the singing of the 136th hymn, the Bishop delivered his ninth Charge to the Clergy.

The Communion was celebrated by the Bishop, assisted in the service by the Rev. Dr. Clemson and the Rev. Messrs. Gibson and Murphy; the Rev. Dr. Clemson offered the concluding prayers. The Bishop pronounced the benediction.

The Offertory was appropriated to the Fund for infirm and disabled Clergy.

At the conclusion of the service, the Convention resumed business.

The Bishop directed the Secretary to call the names of the Clergy and Lay delegates not present at the opening of the Convention, and the following answered to their names:

The Rev. Messrs. Mead, Smith, Douglass, Ellis, Gordon and Kaye, of the Clergy; and of the Laity, Messrs. Wilson, Lodge, Smith, Shaw, Geo. A. Elliott, Luke, Leithead, Holcomb, Justis, Stevens, Cavender, Lofland, Gilman, Benjamin Burton, Jacob Moore, Orr, Frame, O'Neill, Cannon, Jones, and Wm. C. Burton.

Dr. Cummins, from the committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of Convention, reported

that they had examined the same and found them correct, and that there was a balance in the treasury of $167.65. (*For report see appendix.*)

Mr. Chandler presented the account of the Secretary of the last Convention, for his official expenses for the past year, amounting to the sum of $22.58, and on his motion the Treasurer was directed to pay the same.

The House then took a recess till 3 o'clock.

CHRIST CHURCH, 3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention re-assembled.

The Secretary read the minutes of the morning session, and they were adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Spencer, the Secretary was directed to have printed the Charge delivered by the Bishop this morning.

The Rev. Mr Stone presented and read an abstract of the proceedings of the Standing Committee, for the past year.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTE.

The Standing Committee beg leave to offer the following report:

The committee holding over from the last year their organization continued unchanged.

WILMINGTON, DECEMBER 2d, 1878.—The Secretary presented the Canonical testimonials of the Rev. Wm. McCaulley Jefferis, applying for admission to the Sacred Order of Priests On motion, voted, that said testimonials be signed by the committee; whereupon they were duly signed.

NEW CASTLE, APRIL 30th, 1879.—Regular meeting of the Committee. The certificate of the election of the Right Rev. J. H. D. Wingfield, D. D., Missionary Bishop of Northern California, to be Bishop of the Diocese of Louisiana, was laid before the committee. On motion, voted, that the committee confirm the election, and consent to the transfer of the Right Rev. J. H. D. Wingfield, to be Bishop of the Diocese of Louisiana.

Attest, J. A. STONE,
Secretary.

Mr. Alfred A. Curtis appeared as an alternate from St. Thomas' Church, Newark, in place of Mr. Wm. Cooch reported as a delegate, and was admitted to a seat.

Dr. Clemson, from the committee appointed to inquire into and report upon the manner in which title to Church property is held in this Diocese, made a verbal report of the investigation of the committee, the result of which, he stated, showed much irregularity and looseness in the manner of taking title.

The Bishop then read his annual Address.

ADDRESS TO THE CLERICAL AND LAY MEMBERS OF THE EIGHTY-NINTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

Brethren beloved:

At our last Convention, in response to the announcement of my purpose to be present at the Lambeth Conference, you gave me your hearty God-speed, and the assurance that I should not be forgotten in your prayers. Cheered by this gratifying expression of your feelings I embarked for Europe, June 20th, 1878. Previously to this date I held confirmations in Trinity Church, Wilmington, and Immanuel Church New Castle, and on Trinity Sunday, June 16th, in St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, ordained Mr. Daniel M. Bates, Jr. to the Diaconate. Mr. Bates as you were previously informed had offered himself to our Foreign Committee as a Missionary in China, and had been so appointed. The Rev. Joshua Kimber, Secretary of the Foreign Committee, took part in the Ordination Service. Mr. Bates left this country for his distant field in August last, and has been since his arrival in China engaged in those studies which must precede the active work of the Mission. In the Providence of God he has been recently called to

mourn for a venerated father. In this sore grief and trial Mr. Bates has our sincerest sympathy, and in common with the State at large, we deplore the loss of a most estimable citizen, an accomplished jurist and exemplary Christian. Our Church owes him, moreover, a large debt of gratitude for the sacrifice of parental feeling which he made in cheerfully giving up his son to the work of Foreign Missionary, and consenting to a separation which might well be, as indeed it proved to be, final in this world.

On the 13th June, 1878, at the Commencement of the Philadelphia Divinity School, at the request of Bishop Stevens of Pennsylvania, I ordained Henry Alexander Field Hoyt to the Diaconate, and the Rev. William H. Avery to the Presbyterate, both of the Diocese of Pennsylvania. Before my departure, I appointed the Standing Committee to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese during my absence.

Favored with a pleasant passage, I landed in Liverpool on the first day of July and on Wendesday, 3d, took my seat in the Conference which had opened the day before. Having made this assemblage the the special subject of address it is unnecessary to dwell upon it here. My sojourn in England was not only delightful in itself, but gave me opportunities of observing and studying that great national Church, and of becoming personally acquainted with many of her eminent ministers and scholars. The result of such observation was to elevate my conviction of the vigorous spiritual life which pulsates in the body, and develops itself in so many noble forms of Christian work and charity. That Church seems to be increasingly awake to her vast responsibilities and opportunities, and very many of her children display a zeal, energy and self-sacrifice which we may well admire and emulate. One thing which I regretted was that I was not privileged to listen to many of her eminent preachers. The kind reception given to our Bishops caused them to be constantly invited to occupy the pulpit. I preached on most of the Sundays while abroad, and on three occasions delivered discourses at the request of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. I was rejoiced to tell English congregations what good work the early Missionaries of that venerable Society had done in Delaware, where they were so instrumental in laying the foundations of our Church. It was a happiness to do something, however small, in repayment of our debt of love.

On the continent of Europe, where I spent a few weeks, in every place where I was on the Lord's day I found English chapels, and preached twice in Switzerland, and once in the City of Paris. Just before

leaving England I attended a most interesting meeting of the Church Congress at Sheffield. The kind attentions of many Christian friends are deeply impressed on my mind and will always be gratefully remembered.

On the 9th Oct. I re-embarked at Liverpool, and arrived on the 22d. The voyage, so far as the weather was concerned, was quite a contrast to the passage out, being protracted by storms and adverse winds, but through the divine goodness we were brought safely to our desired haven the day before a tempest of unusual severity. I was cheered on my way with the anticipation of soon meeting the many dear brethren who who had shown such kind interest at my departure, and doubted not that they would gladly welcome me home. Yet I was quite unprepared for such a demonstration from the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese as greeted my return. Such large gatherings, affectionate congratulations and expressions of attachment quite overcame me. I could not then respond to them as I would, neither can I now. But those welcomes will ever be among my most cherished recollections, will greatly encourage and sustain me in the performance of official duties and increase my desire to repay such affection by whatever service I can render.

On the 13th December, 1878, in St. Thomas' Church, Newark, I ordained the Rev. Wm. McCaulley Jefferis, Professor in Delaware College, to the Priesthood. Mr. Jefferis continues in charge of Grace and Calvary Churches, Brandywine Hundred, where he is laboring with great zeal and no little encouragement. The confirmation service on Whit-Sunday was an occasion of unusual interest, and the number of candidates unprecedented in the past history of those heretofore feeble Parishes.

CLERICAL CHANGES.

These have somewhat exceeded the average number.

The Rev. George Hall accepted a call to the Rectorship of St. Peter's Church, Lewes, and entered upon his duties June 30th, 1878. He was transferred from the Diocese of Pennsylvania, November 5th. The Rev. Arthur S. Johns resigned St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, July 8th, and took letters of dismission from the Standing Committee, to Virginia. The vacancy was filled, in August following, by the Rev. William B. Gordon, received officially into the Diocese, Sept. 2nd. Under his assiduous Pastoral care the Parish seems to be greatly prospering. The Rev. Francis E. Arnold resigned, Sept. 7th, 1878, the office of assistant Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington. During his

seven years' service in that position, his fidelity and godliness had secured the high and affectionate esteem of the congregation. The Rev. J. W. Kaye, of the Diocese of Maryland, was called to succeed Mr. Arnold, and entered upon his duties, October 6th. The Rev. Benjamin W. Latrobe resigned the Rectorship of Calvary Church, Wilmington, October, 1878, and removed to Pennsylvania. He has been succeeded by the Rev. Wm. Geo. Ware, who took charge of the Parish at Christmas, 1878. The Rev. Elias Weil, who had suffered much from ill health and loss of voice, resigned Christ Church, Delaware City, Nov. 24th, 1878 The Rev. Charles E. Betticher resigned the Church of the Ascension, Claymont, Dec. 6th, 1878. The two last named Parishes are still unsupplied. The Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass resigned the Rectorship of St. Paul's, Georgetown, Jan. 1st, 1879. Mr. Douglass continued to labor as a Missionary, in Sussex County, under the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese At the urgent and unanimous request of the Vestry, he has recently resumed the charge of St. Paul's Church, without giving up entirely his mission services.

The additions to our Clergy List have been ; -

The Rev. Daniel M Bates, Jr., Deacon, ordained June 16th, 1878.

The Rev. William B. Gordon, from Diocese of Virginia, letter accepted Sept. 2, 1878.

The Rev. John W. Kaye, from Diocese of Maryland, Oct. 23, 1878.

The Rev. R. Heber Murphy, from Diocese of Maryland, November 1, 1878.

The Rev. George Hall, from Diocese of Pennsylvania, Nov. 5, 1878.

The Rev. Wm. George Ware, from Diocese of Central Pennsylvania, Dec. 3, 1878.

DISMISSED.

The Rev. Daniel M. Bates, Jr. to the Missionary Jurisdiction of the Bishop of Shanghai, July 11, 1878.

The Rev. Arthur S. Johns to the Diocese of Virginia, August 8, 1878.

The Rev. Benjamin H. Latrobe to the Diocese of Pennsylvania, Oct. 11, 1878.

The Rev. Francis E. Arnold to Pennsylvania, Nov. 11, 1878.

The Rev. Charles E. Betticher to the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania, Dec. 17, 1878.

CANDIDATE FOR DEACON'S ORDERS.

Robert Wright, Jr., from May 4, 1876.

POSTULANT.

Martin Ball Dunlap, received July 2, 1877.

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

Rev. Joseph A. Stone. Rev. Charles S. Spencer.

CONFIRMATIONS.

In Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred, of which fourteen were candidates from Calvary Church, and eight from Grace, (two in private,)		22	persons.
In St. John's Church, Wilmington,		8	"
" St. Andrew's " "		6	"
" Trinity " "	(1 in private)	7	"
" Calvary " "		7	"
" Christ " Christiana Hundred		4	"
" Immanuel " New-Castle,		13	"
" St. Peter's " Smyrna,		8	"
" Christ " Dover,		4	"
" Christ " Milford		5	"
" St. John Baptist " Milton,		2	"
" St. Peter's " Lewes,		4	"
" St. Paul's, Georgetown,		2	"
" St. Luke's, Seaford,		10	"
" Christ Church, Broad Creek,		5	"
" St. Philip's, Laurel,		10	"
" St. Mark's Church, and Collins' School House, Little Creek,		11	"
" St. George's, Indian River,		2	"
" Chapel, Long Neck,		2	"
" St. John's, Greenville,		4	"
" St. Mark's, Millsboro,		1	"
" Phillips School House, Sussex,		2	"
Total,		139	

In the Diocese of Easton, at the request of the Right Rev. H. C. Lay, I confirmed in St. Peter's Church, Salisbury, Jan. 7th. 1879, fifteen persons, and in St. Paul's Church, Spring Hill, May 6th, ten persons, both Churches being under the pastoral care of the Rev. Mr. Brooks, formerly of this Diocese. I am gratified to learn that the health of Bishop Lay, which had been much impaired by his exhausting labors, has been restored by rest and change of climate.

There is much in the general aspect and condition of the Diocese to call for our thankfulness. Our Church is no longer, as some of us remember it, a feeble remnant struggling for bare existence. She has risen from the dust, and is wakening to the responsibility imposed by her high privileges, her goodly heritage of pure Scriptural doctrine, primitive order and worship. There is growing courage, zeal and hopefulness. While her numerical strength, although still small, is steadily increasing, and sanctuaries once deserted are now filled with devout congregations, her power for good is developing still more largely and rapidly. The improvement in our Mission field is marked and gratifying, and there are points which give fair promise of increase, if we could provide Churches, as well as ministrations. I would name as one, the vicinity of Collins' School House, South West of Laurel, where the Rev. Mr. Johnson preaches to a large congregation, and where a modest sanctuary could be erected at a very small cost. In Christ Church, Broad Creek, I had the gratification of holding an interesting confirmation. During the last winter, service has been kept up without interruption by the self-denying labors of the Rev. Mr. Mead, with the prospect of gathering a congregation of regular worshippers.

The accessions of the year, although not the most numerous I have known, have amply recompensed our efforts. The services, throughout my recent visitation, have been full of interest and encouragement. And if we are true and faithful to our great trust, a wider and more effectual door, we may well believe, will be opened unto us.

In this connection let me advert for a moment to the utterance of the Lambeth Conference, respecting unhappy disputes on questions of Ritual, whereby divers congregations, in the Church of England and elsewhere, have been seriously disquieted. The language might have been very much stronger and more emphatic. Many Dioceses and congregations, on this side of the Atlantic, have been afflicted with agitations and disputes arising from this source And, here, where our Church is comparatively a small body, not only is the peace of the Parish or Diocese disturbed, but prejudices against our communion excited and deepened. The hindrance to our growth and extension from this source cannot be fully estimated, but it is to my mind indubitable that but for these unhappy innovations, our Church would have occupied in numbers and influence a far more enviable position at the present day. The responsibility for retarding her growth and impairing her influence, for the alienation of those who would otherwise have sought her fold, and for the bitterness and unholy feeling, flowing from strife and contention, rests upon those, who to gratify their own fancy introduce novel usages. Even if there be nought objectionable in the

way of countenancing error, it is certainly a serious question for a clergyman to consider, whether, for matters of mere taste, he shall break up the harmony of his Parish, disturb the unity of his Diocese, and forfeit the affection and confidence of a single member of his flock. Although a majority, or a large majority of his parishioners agree with him in sentiment, this would not justify such changes and innovations. The feelings of the humblest are to be considered. Remember who hath said, "Take heed that ye offend not one of these little ones." Granting for argument's sake, that those who are caused to stumble by what are known as ritualistic practices are weak brethren, we learn from St. Paul, that to sin against weak brethren may be to sin against Christ. But I cannot but think that lack of spiritual vigor and Christian manliness is more indicated by a hankering after shewy ornaments and ceremonies, than by clinging to the simplicity and sobriety of our worship, as we received it from our fathers. Were then the practices which have been introduced of late only censurable on this account, it seems to be reason sufficient to eschew them. But I need not say that their dangerous tendency has been plainly shewn. One ceremony paves the way for another. Step is taken after step. And unscriptural errors, and corruptions plainly condemned by our Articles and standards, have found their open apologists among Clergymen, who, at their ordination, solemnly professed adherence to the doctrine, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church. I make these remarks the more freely, inasmuch as I do not entertain the thought that there is among the Clergy or Laity of this Diocese, any want of loyalty and cordial adherence to the Protestant principles of our Church. But we cannot be blind to what is going on around us, or to the pernicious tendency of the fondness for shewy ceremonial, which is one of the fashions of the day. Æsthetics are well enough in their place, and delight in the beautiful and ornate. But the Mission of the Church of Christ is not to amuse the fancy and gratify the taste, but to arouse the conscience, sanctify the affections, and save the soul. "For meat destroy not the work of God." The appetite grows with what it feeds on, makes ceremonial and parade a substitute for the worship of Him, who is a Spirit, in spirit and in truth, and easily degenerates into frivolity or insensibility to underlying doctrinal errors. For the most part the things which captivate our Ritualists come from one source. They are borrowed from Rome. They cohere together. They have their signifiance in her usage, although many who copy them may not be aware of it. And they have proved more effectual in leading persons into her net than volumes of controversy. Be on your guard, dear brethren, against snares in which so many have been entangled, and those not always the unlearned or the feeble-minded.

Upon points connected with the manner of conducting public worship I should be very reluctant to interpose authoritatively. I think the less our Bishops act upon prerogative the better. I would rely upon moral influence and paternal counsel rather than upon law, and be the last to encroach upon the authority of the Rector in the Parish where he is appointed to feed the flock of Christ. But I desire to express myself frankly upon those dangers so rife and disturbing in some parts of our Church, and if in any particular case I take no official notice of changes and innovations, I do not wish my silence to be misconstrued into approval. Hoping, dear brethren, that we may all in our several positions strive together for the faith of the Gospel, study the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another, I invoke upon your present deliberations the divine blessing.

ALFRED LEE.

The Rev. Dr. Frost, from the Committee appointed to prepare a minute respecting the services of Mr. S. M. Curtis, as Secretary of the Convention, presented the report of the Committee, which was read as follows, viz.:

The Committee appointed to prepare a minute expressive of this Convention's appreciation of the valuable services rendered by our former Secretary and co-member, Mr. S. Minot Curtis, respectfully present the following;

Resolved, That Mr. S. Minot Curtis, during the many years in which he served this Body as its Secretary, approved himself by a diligent, faithful, accurate performance of his duties, and a courteous, manly and affable bearing toward every member of our Convention.

Resolved, That we will heartily welcome his return at our next Annual Convention, and continue to him our confidence in his eminent ability and sterling worth.

Resolved, That these Resolutions be communicated to Mr. Curtis, in behalf of this Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Frost moved the adoption of the resolutions reported by the Committee; and they were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Mr. Benjamin J. Moore, from the Committee appointed to audit the account of Mr. George D. Armstrong, Treasurer, of "The Trustees," reported that the Committee had examined the account and found the same correct.

The Rev. Mr. Littell, presented and read the report of the Registrar.

The Registrar of the Convention reports, that, during the past year he has received twenty-five (25) publications. These were the gifts of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Seymour, and the Registrars and Secretaries of several Dioceses.

T. GARDINER LITTELL,

Registrar.

The Rev. Mr. Spencer, presented and read a preamble and resolutions respecting the death of the late John Burnham, as follows, viz.:

For as much as it pleased our Heavenly FATHER in His wise Providence to remove from among us, on the 22nd day of December, A.D. 1878, our beloved friend and brother, JOHN BURNHAM,—for several years a member of this Convention—a man who, by the simplicity and straightforward integrity of his life, challenged our respect and won our confidence; a warm friend, and an exemplary Christian, therefore,

Resolved, That while we bow in humble submission to the will of Him "Who doeth all things well," we deeply mourn the loss which the Church in this Diocese has sustained. And we hereby desire to express our hearty appreciation of his worth and services as a fellow worker together with us; our very sincere sympathy for his grief-stricken family: and our profound assurance, that to him it was given to die in th confidence of a certain faith, in the comfort of a reasonable, religious and holy hope, in favor with GOD and in perfect charity with the world.

Resolved, That this preamble and resolutions be placed upon the minutes of this Convention, and a copy of the same be sent to the family of the deceased.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Spencer, the preamble and resolutions, as read, were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Mr. Chandler, of the Committee to apportion the sum of $30,000 for the endowment of the Episcopate, among the parishes of this diocese, presented a report from the Committee, which was read by the Secretary, as follows, viz.:

The Committee composed of the Treasurer of the Convention, the Treasurer of the Missionary Committee, and the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Church in the Diocese of Delaware, who were requested to apportion the sum of $30,000 among the Parishes of the Diocese as a Fund for the Endowment of the Episcopate and who were continued at the last Convention, find themselves under the necessity of repeating the tenor of their previous report, that the state of financial depression and business embarrassment, still continuing, has discouraged them from attempting to carry out this resolution. The Fund now amounts to from 13,000 to 14,000 dollars, leaving more than half the sum named still to be raised. The present Fund has been, mainly, contributed by four Parishes, for which it is understood, in order to make the assessment equitable, these Parishes are to be credited.

It seems very evident to your Committee that it would be useless, and, therefore, inexpedient at the present time, to call upon the remaining churches, a number of which are not self-sustaining, to make up the large balance required. Not doubting the desire and good will of the members of the Church in this Diocese to complete this endowment, consideration must be shown for the actual condition of things. Your Committee hope that, with returning prosperity and church growth, these desires may be accomplished, and that the Fund will be steadily increased, not only by parochial contributions, but by donations of liberal churchmen to whom God hath given pecuniary ability and by testamentary bequests. The Committee have prepared a tabular statement of the respective amounts contributed to this Fund by the several Parishes, the expediency of publishing which, as an appendix to this report, they leave to the decision of the Convention. Seeing no immediate prospect of effecting the object of this Resolution the Committee ask to be discharged.

GREGG CHANDLER,
BAUDUY SIMMONS,
GEO. D. ARMSTRONG.

Immanuel Church,	New Castle,		$2,262 81
Christ "	Delaware City,		12 10
St. Anne's "	Middletown,		12 03
St. Peter's "	Smyrna,		610 00
Christ "	Dover,		45 67
Christ "	Milford,		125 00
St. Peter's "	Lewes,		100 00
St. Luke's "	Seaford,		11 94
St. Philip's "	Laurel,		6 11
St. Paul's "	Georgetown,		5 00
Ascension "	Claymont,		102 57
Grace "	Brandywine Hd.,		22 70
Calvary "	" "		10 60
St. John's "	Wilmington,		161 79
Trinity "	"		223 68
St. Andrew's "	"		4,872 00
Calvary "	"		11 50
St James' "	Newport,		631 64
St. James' "	Stanton,		2,087 12
St. Thomas' "	Newark,		266 83

Mr. Chandler moved that the committee be discharged, which motion was lost.

Mr. Fell moved that the committee be continued and requested to make the apportionment, and report the same to the next Convention.

Pending the consideration of Mr. Fell's motion, the Rev. Mr. Lewis offered certain resolutions as a substitute for same, as follows, viz.:

Resolved, That the committee on Apportionment be continued, and instructed to apportion to the several parishes their proportions of the Episcopal Fund, and publish the same in the Journal of this Convention.

Resolved, That each parish be requested to make arrangements for the collection and payment of its proportion, at the earliest possible date.

Mr. Fell accepted the resolutions as a substitute for his motion, and after discussion, the resolutions, as read, were adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Clemson presented and read the report of the Missionary and Education Committee, as follows, viz :

REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

Receipts of the committee during the year have been as follows :

Collection at Missionary Service, last Convention, . .		$27.65
FROM CHURCHES.		
Ascension, Claymont, ...	$36.00	
St. John's, Wilmington, ...	5.27	
St. Andrew's, " ($25 from Sunday School,) .	125.00	
Calvary, "	7.00	
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, . .	64.16	
Immanuel, New Castle, ...	5.32	
St. James', Newport, ...	2.00	
St. James', Stanton, ...	3.00	
St. Thomas', Newark, , . . .	4.56	
St. Anne's, Middletown, ...	10.00	
St. Peter's, Smyrna, (Sunday School,) . .	36.00	
Christ Church, Dover, ...	26.56	
Christ Church, Milford, ...	35.00	
St. Paul's, Georgetown, ...	5.00	
St. Peter's, Lewes, ...	5.0	
St. Luke's, Seaford (Sunday School,) . .	2.00	
Christ Church, Broad Creek and St. Philip's, Laurel,	4.38	
St. George's, Indian River, ...	12.00	
St. Mark's, Little Creek, ...	20.00	
Collins' School House, Little Creek, . .	5.00	
Total from Churches, ...		413.25
FROM INDIVIDUALS.		
Jesse Lane, ...	100 00	
Samuel Harlan, ...	50.00	
S. M. Curtis, ...	50.00	
B. Simmons, ...	25.00	
Bishop Lee, ...	25.00	
G. Chandler, ...	20.00	
F. A. Curtis, ...	20.00	
Mrs. S. Canby, ...	10.00	
Friends, per Bishop Lee, ...	100.00	
		400.00
Collection at Sunday School celebration in October, at Wilmington, ...		21.66
Total, ...		862.56

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salary of Rev. Geo. W. Johnson, . . .	500.00	
" " J. Leighton McKim, . .	200.00	
" " Elias Weil, (6 months,) . .	75.00	
Special for Rev. Mr. McKim, . . .	10.00	
Deficit of last year, ...	8.81	
		793.81
Balance in Treasury		68.75
		862.56

These figures show a falling off from the receipts of the previous year of $67.86. Compared with 1877 there is a diminution of $138.75. We are well aware that some of the churches from which we have received but little, contribute liberally to extra Diocesan objects, and we have no desire to lessen such donations. But should not the home-field have its share of attention? Are our own waste places to be uncared for? our feebler parishes to be left to struggle on unaided, and promising openings for planting our Church to be lost for want of means to enter in? The parishes are few who meet a moderate and reasonable requirement for our Diocesan work. Leaving out of consideration individual subscriptions, which all come from two churches, and collections at general meetings, our Parochial contributions have been $413.25, which is at the rate of about 20 cents for each communicant. But of this amount $359.72 came from six churches and three mission-stations, which report 791 communicants. Deducting this sum from $413.25, and also deducting 791 from 2063—the whole number of communicants—there remains $53.53 as the amount given by churches reporting 1272 communicants, which is at the rate of 4¼ cents each. True, some of these are not more able than others which receive our assistance, but making all due allowance on this score, still the exhibit made by the figures is, to say the least, humiliating.

Our expenditures have been lessened by the reduction of the salary of our Missionary at large, from $700 to $500, and by the resignation of the Rev. E. Weil, after six months' service. But for this, instead of reporting a small balance on hand, we should not have been able to meet our payments. It is for the Convention to say whether this important cause shall be allowed to languish on at this dying rate, or whether it shall be sustained in a becoming and efficient manner. Shall we go backward? or shall we hold our own? or shall we go forward? If we look at the fruits of our labors and expenditures, we have very much to be thankful for. The prospect was never more encourag-

ing. The services of our Missionaries are more fully attended—new openings are presented—Sunday Schools have increased—and a fair number of well instructed candidates present themselves for admission to our church. The committee would especially appeal to the Rectors of Parishes to co-operate earnestly in this important object, and urge them to give their people the opportunity of contributing, and the information which will incline their hearers to devise liberal things.

ALFRED LEE,
JOHN B. CLEMSON.
D. D. SMITH,
BAUDUY SIMMONS,
WM. JENKS FELL.

The Rev. Dr. Frost then moved that the Convention proceed to the election of a Missionary and Education committee for the ensuing year, which motion was lost.

The Rev. Dr. Frost moved that the Convention proceed to the election of the Standing Committee.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Douglass, the motion of the Rev. Dr. Frost was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the Secretary was directed to have 400 copies of the Journal printed, and the Treasurer was authorized to pay for the same.

On motion of Dr. Cummins, it was ordered that the usual allowance be paid to the Sexton of Christ Church.

Dr. Burr requested that twenty five dollars ($25) be remitted to Trinity Church, Wilmington, on the assessment for Diocesan charges for each of the years 1876 and 1877; which request on his motion was granted.

The Convention then took a recess.

CHRIST CHURCH, 8 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Convention assembled to attend the Missionary meeting.

Evening prayer was read by the Rev. Messrs. Littell, Jefferis and Douglass. The 424th hymn was sung ; addresses were delivered by the Bishop and the Rev. Messrs. Johnson, Ware and Mead.

The usual offerings were made for Missions in the Diocese of Delaware, and after the singing of the 283d hymn, the Bishop closed with prayers and the benediction.

The House resumed business.

Dr. Cummins moved that the next Convention be held in St. Luke's Church, Seaford.

The Rev. Dr. Clemson moved to amend by substituting St. Philip's Church,Laurel.for St. Luke's Church, Seaford ; which amendment was adopted,and the motion as amended was adopted.

On motion of Dr. Cummins, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be tendered to the Rector, Wardens and Vestry of Christ Church, and to the citizens of Dover, for their kindness and hospitality.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Littell, the assessments of of Calvary Church, Wilmington, for Diocesan charges, for the past year was reduced from $40, to $35.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, the House adjourned.

CHRIST CHURCH, JUNE 5, 1879.

The Convention reassembled at 9 o'clock A. M., the Bishop in the Chair.

Prayer was offered by the Bishop. The Convention was then called to order.

The Rev. Dr. Clemson and Mr. Bates, of the Committee on Title to Church Property, made full statements regard-

ing the facts ascertained, and the progress of their inquiries, after which, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Frost, the Committee were continued, and authorized to have their report printed, and a copy sent to each rector and vestry in the Diocese before the next Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Lewis, the committee were authorized to add to their number, a layman from Kent County and one from Sussex County.

The Rev. Dr. Frost moved that a committee of three be appointed, to report to the next Convention, a Canon providing for a standing committee on "Constitution and Canons;" which motion prevailed.

The Bishop subsequently appointed as the committee, the Rev. Dr. Frost and Messrs. S. M. Curtis and George H. Bates.

Mr. Fell proposed as an amendment to the Constitution the following, viz:

Amend Article I, of the Constitution, as follows:—Strike out the words, "First Wednesday," in the first and second lines of said article, and insert in lieu thereof, the words, "Second Tuesday."

On motion it was

Resolved, That, after the reading of the minutes and prayer, the Convention adjourn.

The minutes of the morning session were read and adopted.

After prayer. the Bishop pronounced the benediction, and declared the Convention adjourned.

GEO. H. BATES, *Secretary*.

DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

THE RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, D. D., *Bishop and President of the Convention.* Residence, Wilmington.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Charles S. Spencer, *President*, New Castle.
" Joseph A. Stone, *Secretary*, Newark.
" Lewis W. Gibson.
Mr. S. Minot Curtis.
Dr. Horace Burr.

DEPUTIES TO GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass,
" J. Leighton McKim,
" T. Gardiner Littell,
S. Minot Curtis,
W. Jenks Fell,
George H. Raymond,
George H Bates.

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

Rev. Joseph A. Stone, Rev. Charles S. Spencer.

MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., *Chairman.*
" John B. Clemson, D. D.,
" D. D. Smith,
Mr. Bauduy Simmons, *Treasurer*,
" William Jenks Fell.

TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rev. T. Gardiner Littell, Rev. William J. Frost, D. D.,
Rev. Lewis W. Gibson.

TRUSTEES OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

Hon. Edward G. Bradford. George H. Bates,
George B. Rodney, George D. Armstrong, *Treasurer*.
George H. Raymond.

REGISTRAR OF CONVENTION.

Rev. T. Gardiner Littell.

TREASURER OF CONVENTION.

Gregg Chandler, Wilmington.

SECRETARY OF CONVENTION.

George H. Bates, Wilmington.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

Walter Cummins, Wilmington.

ATTEST, GEO. H. BATES, *Secretary*.

APPENDIX.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Church of the Ascension, Claymont.

RECTORSHIP VACANT.

REV. JOHN B. CLEMSON, D. D., Rector Emeritus.

Baptisms—infant	4
Burials	2
Communicants	36

OFFERINGS.

Diocesan Missions	$36 00
Fund for Disabled Clergy, their Widows and Orphans	6 00
For the Jews	1 00
For Indian Missions under Bishop Hare	152 00
Alms	30 00
For divers other objects	60 70

Since the resignation of the late Rector, Services have been maintained by Lay reading except on Sacramental occasions, when the Rector Emeritus officiated. The latter has been engaged in full ministerial duties throughout the year either at home or abroad.

Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred.

REV. WILLIAM M. JEFFERIS, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult 1, Infant 1, total	2
Confirmed	8
Communicants—Number last reported	10
" Added	10
" Present number	20

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Teachers	9
Scholars	97

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms	$2 68
Offerings from Sunday School	108 00
Current Expenses	413 00
Special Offerings for the Poor	37 00
Clothing (mostly new) for destitute	25 00
For Sunday School leaflets	12 50
Subscribed for repairs	51 00
Diocesan charges	5 00
	$ 654 18

Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred.

REV. WILLIAM M. JEFFERIS, Rector.

Communicants—No. last reported	6
" died	1
" added	14
" Present number	16
Baptisms—Adult	6
Funeral	1
Confirmations	14

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Teachers	6
Scholars	53

OFFERINGS

Communion Alms	$ 2 25
Sunday School Festival	30 00
Sunday School Leaflets	12 50
Diocesan Charges	5 00
Current Expenses	75 00
	$ 124 75

St. John's Church, Wilmington.

REV. T. GARDINER LITTELL, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult, 3; Infant, 38; Total,		41
Confirmed,		8
Communicants,—Number last reported	111	
Died	2	
Lost by removal	6	
Gained by removal	14	
Added	11	
Present number		128
Marriages		2
Burials		11
Public Services,—On Sundays, 115; other days, 116; Total		231
Bible Class		1
Teacher		1
Scholars		35
Sunday Schools		3
Teachers		18
Scholars		250
Sewing School		1
Teachers		10
Scholars		50

Children catechised every Sunday.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL.

Alms	$ 40 02		
Sunday Schools	78 55		
Rectory Fund	120 00		
Repairs and Improvements	187 10		
Current Expenses	1920 22		
			$2345 89

EXTRA-PAROCHIAL.

Diocesan Charges	$ 50 00		
Society for the Increase of the Ministry	12 00		
Missions—Diocesan	108 14		
Domestic	67 70		
Colored People	10 00		
Foreign	43 35		
			229 19
Clergy Relief			15 00
Sufferers by yellow fever	$ 18 89		
2 boxes supplies, value	108 50		
			127 39
			433 58
Total Contributions			$2,779 47

St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

RT. REV. ALFRED LEE, D. D., Rector.

REV. J. W. KAYE, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—Infant, 12; Adult, 2; Total,		14
Confirmed		6
Communicants,—Removed	12	
Died	9	
Ordained	1	
Dropped	1	
Added	10	
Present number		285

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

St. Andrew's, Teachers	32	Scholars	275
Robert Smith, (colored) Teachers	24	"	250
	56		525
Marriages			2
Funerals			15

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

St. Andrew's—Diocesan Missions,	$25 00		
Cape Palmas Orph. Asylum	75 00		
Mexico,	72 80		
Other objects	79 50		
		$252 30	
Robert Smith—Missions at the South	$15 00		
Orphans made by yellow fever	15 00		
		30 00	
Total from Sunday Schools			$282 30

CHURCH OFFERINGS.

Missions,—Diocese of Delaware		$330 00	
Domestic	$ 26 87		
Boxes for Missionaries	157 20		
		184 07	
Foreign (including special for China 56 51)		158 79	672 86

A considerable amount for Mexico through Delaware Branch of Mexican League.

Charitable—Communion Alms		$150 45	
	Sufferers by yellow fever	79 00	
	Diocesan Disabled Clergy Fund	60 23	
			$289 68
Societies— Evangel. Education (Scholarship 300)		$377 00	
	Ev. Knowledge	64 00	
	State Bible	23 12	
			460 12
Parochial—Church Repairs		$1,600 00	
	Sunday School	75 00	
	Diocesan Charges	175 00	
			1,850 00
			$3,554 96

(Current expenses not included.)

The Rev. Francis E. Arnold, whose fidelity and consistent christian life had won the high esteem and affection of the members of this Parish, resigned the office of Assistant Minister, Sept. 1st, 1878. He has been succeeded by the Rev. J. W. Kaye, who entered upon his duties October 1st, following.

The Church has been recently renovated and put in thorough repair.

REPORT OF REV. J. W. KAYE, Assistant Minister at St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, Delaware.

I have been Assistant Minister at St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, since the 1st day of October, 1878, and my official work from that date up to June 3d, 1879, is recorded in the Register of said Parish.

Report of Trinity Church, Wilmington, Delaware.

For the year 1878–9.

REV. WILLIAM J. FROST, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 51; Adult, 3;	54
Confirmations, in private.....1;	7
Marriages	2
Funerals	31
Sunday School Teachers	34
" " Scholars	300

Sewing School Teachers	25
" " Scholars	200
Communicants	150

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parish Expenses	$2,446 01
Miscellaneous	1,336 53
Total Offerings	$3,782 54

Calvary Church, Wilmington,

From Dec. 22d, 1878, to June 1st, 1879.

REV. WM. G. WARE, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult 1; Infant 2;	3
Confirmed	7
Communicants—last reported	185
" died	2
" lost by removal	15
" " otherwise	23
Present number (about)	100
Marriages	2
Funerals	6

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Teachers	23
Scholars (about)	225

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions	$ 7 00
Communion Alms, &c.,	27 84
Diocesan Charges	35 00
Church Repairs	207 77
Parochial	925 67
	$1,203 28

The above report is made from the time the present Rector entered upon his duties.

The church has recovered from the troubles of the past year, and is in a healthy and growing condition. The people are united, earnest, and devoted to the work of the Master.

Christ Church, Christiana Hundred.

Rev. DUDLEY D. SMITH, Rector.

Baptisms—infant	16
Confirmed	4
Communicants—number last reported	146
" added	8
" since died	2
" removed	14
" present number	138
Burials	7

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Teachers—male, 2, female, 11, total	13
Pupils, " 82, " 59 "	141

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Domestic Missions—Amer. Ch. Miss. Soc. Collection	$112 00		
" do. Ladies' Auxiliary	301 00		
" do. Church Treasury & P. O.	34 70		
Diocesan Missions	64 16		
Freedmen "	30 00		
Seamens' aid "	75 00		
Destitute Churches	437 00		
Help to Clergy	53 00		
		$1106	86
Foreign Missions—Collections	189 00		
" Five cent Collection	173 70		
" Sunday School boxes, &c.	39 72		
" Women's Union Mis. Soc.	107 00	$509	42
Total for Missions		1,616	28
American Bible Society		46	14
" Tract "		76	00
Evangelical Education Society		77	00
Yellow Fever and other Sufferers		142	00
Young Men's Christian Association		23	00
Episcopate and Convention Fund		85	00
Communion Alms		102	00
Church Repairs		118	00
Sunday School		5	64
Total Offerings		$2,291	06

Immanuel Church, New Castle.

REV. C. S. SPENCER, Rector.

Baptisms	18
Confirmed	13
Communicants—number last reported	128
" since died	5
" lost by removal	3
" added	7
" present number	127
Marriages	4
Funerals	11

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Number of Schools	2
Teachers	18
Scholars	200

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Foreign Missions	$ 85 27
Domestic "	67 81
Diocesan "	14 46
Church Work in Mexico	25 26
Disabled Clergy Fund	30 87
Parish Library	16 66
Sunday School Library	7 55
Society for conversion of the Jews	9 93
Nashotah	15 03
Church Work among the Colored People	15 15
Parochial Purposes	116 09
Yellow Fever Sufferers	107 00
Missionary Aid Society	32 14
Communion Alms	108 50
From Mite Chests	59 68
Sunday School Offering for Bp. Hare	49 90
Lent offering from Infant School for Missions	5 50
Total	$766 80

During the Winter and Spring, a Free Reading Room was maintained by the Brotherhood of the Church. By means of this Room, men were induced to leave their usual haunts in the evening, and resort to a purer atmosphere, where the healthy, periodical literature of the

day was supplied to them without cost. The undertaking was well appreciated.

The Mission Work of the Parish has been well sustained during the past year, by attentive congregations and a good Sunday School.

St. James' Church, Newport.

REV. W. D. HANSON, Rector.

Baptisms—infant	5
Communicants—number last reported	13
lost by removal	3
added	6
present number	16
Marriages	2
Funerals	4

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES.

Teachers	6
Scholars	40

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 2 00
" Domestic	1 50
" Foreign	8 07
Total	$ 11 57
Collected in Sunday School for Missionary Objects	17 00
Diocesan Disabled Clergy Fund	1 00
Communion Alms	1 31
Diocesan Charges	7 00
Endowment of Episcopate	75
Parochial	265 33
Total	$ 303 96

In answer to an appeal from the Ladies, kind friends outside of the Diocese have given $264 35 towards the building of a Rectory at Newport, for which a lot has otherwise been secured.

St. James' Church, near Stanton.

REV. W. D. HANSON, Rector.

Baptisms—adult	3
Communicants—number last reported	52
since died	1
lost by removal	3
added	7
present number	55
Marriages	1
Funerals	10

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES.

Teachers	6
Scholars	76

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$3	00
" Domestic, (Amer. Church M. S.)	5	00
" Foreign	8	15
Total	$ 16	15
Diocesan Disabled Clergy Fund	3	00
Communion Alms	13	78
Diocesan Charges	25	00
Endowment of Episcopate	3	00
Parochial	64	21
Total	$ 703	14

It is a pleasure to report that the Bible Class taught by the Rector every Sunday morning, before the commencement of Divine Service, has grown greatly of late in size and interest, as also the school at large.

St. Thomas' Church, Newark.

REV. JOSEPH A. STONE, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant	2
Communicants	62
" Added	2
" Present number	64

Marriages	1
Burials	2
Sunday School Teachers	7
" Scholars	40

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 70 00
" Domestic, Church Missionary Society	74 13
" Foreign	56 90
" For Mexico	5 00
Total	$ 206 05
Disabled Clergy Fund	8 46
Communion Offerings	61 03
Sewing Circle	72 75
	$ 348 29
Diocesan Charges	30 00
Parochial Charges	67 29
Sunday School Objects	41 07
Lecture by S. E. Appleton, D. D	22 00
Endowment of the Episcopate	4 25
Evangelical Educational Society	25 00
Total	$ 537 90

Christ Church, Delaware City

REV. R. HEBER MURPHY, Officiating occasionally.

Baptisms,	6
Communicants about	40
Families "	35
Sunday School Teachers	7
" Pupils	55
Church Services since Christmas	65

Including daily Services during Lent, by the Rev. Mr. Clark.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial purposes	$71 02
Diocesan Charges	6 70
In the hand of the Ladies' Sewing Society	125 00

REPORT OF REV. E. WEIL, late Rector and Missionary of Christ Church, Delaware City.

My report is from the date of the last Diocesan Convention only until the 8th of December, when owing to my increasing inability any longer to use my voice in public ministrations, I felt compelled to give up my deeply cherished work and Parish, and after a nine years' Pastorate parted from my much loved people.

I report 49 Public Services; 6 Public Administrations of the Lord's Supper; 49 Sermons and Lectures, and 1 Adult Baptism.

Other work and statistics, notably those relating to offerings and such like, will doubtless be made by those in charge of the Parish.

Since the 8th of December 1878, I have rendered some very slight assistance in two Parishes in Germantown, Pa.

St. Anne's Church, Middletown.

REV. W. G. W. LEWIS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant	1
" Adult	1
Total	2
Communicants	75
Marriages	2
Funerals	10
Sunday School Teachers	10
" Scholars	60

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 10 00
" General	12 50
Communion alms	25 00
Diocesan Charges	45 00
Parochial	1300 00
Other purposes	90 00
	$ 1482 50

St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.

REV. W. B. GORDON.

Baptisms—Adult 4, Infant 4, Total	8
Confirmations—	8

Communicants—No. last Reported		68
" Gained by transfer		3
" " otherwise		9
" Aggregate		80
" Lost by death		1
" " by transfer		6
" " otherwise		5
" Present number		68
Burials		6
Sunday Schools		2
" " Teachers		14
" " Scholars		102
" " Contributions		$46 51
Church Contributions		
Diocesan Missions		30 00
Domestic "		6 99
Foreign "		18 25
Total for Missions		55 24
Sick and disabled Clergy		5 00
Bible Societies		16 79
Other objects		83 75
Communion Alms		37 70
Rectory Fund		592 50
Parish Expenses		1125 74
Convention Fund		45 00
Total Contributions		$2008 23

Christ Church, Dover.

REV. LEWIS W. GIBSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 5; Adult, 2; Total,	7
Confirmed	4
Communicants—Number last reported	72
" Died	1
" Removed	7
" Added by first Communion	4
" " " removal	2
" Present number	70

Marriages		2
Burials		3
Sunday Schools—In Dover, Scholars		60
" " " " Teachers		10
" " " Camden, Scholars		40
" " " " Teachers		5
Public Services—Sundays, 98; other days, 94; total		192

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial—Salary of Rector	$975 00		
" Rent of House for Rector	250 00		
" Church Improvements	108 90		
" Rectory Fund	60 00		
" Incidental Expenses	103 83		
" Sunday Schools	125 46		
" Charity	24 71		
		$1,647	90
Extra Parochial—Fund for Disabled Clergy	$10 00		
" " Diocesan Charges	45 00		
" " Endowment Fund	6 00		
" " Diocesan Missions	10 20		
" " Domestic Missions	15 00		
" " Foreign Missions	2 83		
" " Yellow Fever Sufferers	81 21		
" " N. Y. Bible & Prayer B'k Soc'y.	10 06		
		180	24
Total		$1,828	14

The ladies of the parish also sent a valuable box of clothing to Memphis, for the yellow fever sufferers. Both in this and in the contribution of money, we had the very liberal and grateful aid of many persons outside of the parish.

Christ Church, Milford

REV. J. LEIGHTON MCKIM, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult, 2; Infant 8; Total		10
Confirmations		5
Communicants—Number last reported	76	
" Since died	1	
" Lost by removal	8	
" Added by removal	6	
" Added by first Communion	5	
" Present number		78

Marriages		4
Burials		10
Sunday School Teachers		10
" " Pupils		60
Services—On Sundays,	62	
" Other days	102	
" At St. Stephen's	22—	186

OFFERINGS.

Diocesan Missions	$ 20 00
" Charges	30 00
Christmas Festival	15 00
From the Sunday School	20 00
Current Expenses (including salary)	500 00
Total collections at St. Stephen's	21 00
Charitable purposes	10 00
	$616 00

The number of communicants given above includes those who worship at St. Stephen's Chapel, Harrington.

Church of St. John Baptist, Milton.

REV. J. LEIGHTON MCKIM, Rector.

Baptisms, infant		3
Confirmations		2
Communicants—Number last reported	7	
" Since died	1	
" Lost by removal	1	
" Added by removal	3	
" Added by first Communion	2	
" Present number		10
Sunday School Teachers		5
" " Pupils		30
Services on Sundays	45	
" other days	5—	50

COLLECTIONS.

Diocesan Charges	$ 5 00
Minister's Salary	43 00
Sextons's Wages	10 00
Christmas Festival	10 00
Diocesan Missions	5 00
Total	$73 00

The Rector thanks his brethren for frequent help, without which the every-Sunday services could not have been kept up. And he gratefully acknowledges contributions amounting to $100, from clergymen and other kind friends, towards the payment of the church debt.

The unpaid balance at this date is $300.

St. Paul's Church, Georgetown.

REV B. J. DOUGLASS.

Baptisms—Infant	11
Confirmed at St. Paul's Church	2
" at School House No. 41, Dagsboro' Hd	2
Communicants—Lost by removal	1
" " death	1
" Added	2
" Present number	54
Marriages	5
Funerals	4
Sunday School—Teachers	8
" " Scholars	50

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Domestic Missions (Am. Ch. Miss. Society)	$ 5 00
Diocesan	3 59
Disabled Clergymen	10 00
Yellow Fever Sufferers	40 00
N. Y. Bible and Prayer Book Society	2 00
Sunday School purposes	50 00
Incidental Expenses	80 00
Ladies' Church Aid	30 00
Collections by Envelopes	359 52
	$580 11

Public Services—Sundays, 74; Week Days, 20; Total, 94.

I deem it proper to add that on the 14th of December I put my resignation into the hands of the Vestry, to take effect from January 1, 1879. From that date to the middle of May, few services have been held in the Parish Church. In the interval I gave myself to the strictly Missionary work of the Diocese, endeavoring to "seek for Christ's sheep that are dispersed abroad," and with the result of finding several points where the ministrations of our church are welcomed, and favorable openings presented for the future.

At the recent visitation of the Bishop, two were presented for confirmation in one of the school houses where I had been preaching.

On May the 17th, in compliance with the renewed and urgent request of the Vestry, I have again resumed my duties in connection with the parish, acting for the present as minister in charge, and hope, with the blessing of God, to prove myself not unworthy of the uniform kindness and personal regard which have characterised our mutual intercourse.

BENJ. J. DOUGLASS.

St. Peter's Church, Lewes.

REV. GEORGE HALL, Rector.

Confirmed		4
Baptisms—infant, 6; adult, 3; total		9
Communicants—Number last reported	25	
" Added by first Communion	2	
" " " removal	3	
" Not reported last year	15—	
" Present number		45
Marriages		1
Burials		2
Sunday School—Teachers		9
" " Scholars on the roll, about		65
Public Services—Sundays, 97; Week Days, 40; Total,		137

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Christmas Festival	$ 23 00
Episcopal Fund	15 00
Convention "	5 00
Missions—Sunday School for Bishop Morris	6 75
" Diocesan	5 00
" Colored People	3 00
" Mexico	8 00
Yellow Fever Sufferers,	25 00
Communion Alms	22 34
Parochial (Rector's salary not included)	102 98
	$216 07

The Rev. John L. McKim resigned the Rectorship of St. Peter's, December, 1877. During the vacancy of several months, I held frequent services, at the request of the Wardens. I entered upon the duties of this Parish, June 30th, 1878.

St. Luke's Church, Seaford.

REV. S. D. HALL, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 9; Adult, 3; (3 colored) Total	12
Confirmed (2 colored)	10
Communicants—Number last reported, including all those who have been admitted to the Holy Communion,	136
" Lost by removal	4
" Added by removal	3
" Added by confirmation, (2 colored)	10
" Present number	145
" Present number actually communicating	112
Marriages, (colored 1)	2
Funerals, (colored 1)	6
Sunday Schools—Teachers	16
" " Scholars	175

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Sunday School	$42 83
Missions—Diocesan ($2 00 by Sunday School)	4 91
" Domestic ($2.00 by Sunday School)	4 03
" Foreign, by Sunday School	2 00
Yellow Fever Sufferers	40 00
Communion Alms and Charitable Aid	32 10
Diocesan Charges	.8 00
Parochial	100 75
Total in the parish, (Rector's salary not included,)	$254 62

Paid by St. Luke's Guild on the parish debt, not included in the above, $43.45

Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Philip's, Laurel.

CHAS. H. MEAD, RECTOR.

Number of Families, or parts of Families	43
Number of Baptized Persons: somewhat over	120
Number of Confirmed Persons: about	78
Baptisms: Infant 4, Adult 5, total	9
Confirmed within the year	15

Communicants—Number last reported	52
Decrease—by death	1
" by transfer	3
" by ceasing attendance	5
Increase—by first communion	14
" by transfer	3
" by renewing attendance	2
Present number (having communed within the year)	62
Marriages	1
Funerals	4
Public Services; Sundays three each; Wednesday, Friday and Holy Days, one each; Advent and Lent daily, some other days, some outside the parish, 306. Assisted at 13. Total	319
Holy Communion: Public, first Sunday of each month, the Greater Festivals, every Sunday in Advent and Lent, 27; Private 2; Total	29
Sermons and Addresses (some outside the Parish)	250
Public Catechising; Fortnightly or oftener	
Sunday Schools	2
Teachers	8
Scholars	80
Bible Classes	2
Ladies' Aid Society: Members	19
Insurance on Church Building: None. Debt; None	

OFFERINGS—PAROCHIAL.

Building Fund (paying debt in full)	534 23
Current Expenses	90 50
Salary 500.00, paid 420.79: unpaid 79.21	420 79
Sunday School 11.00; Fence 25.00; Stove 10.00	46 00
Ladies' Aid Society 13.60; Bible 7.75; Prayer Book 3 00	24 35
Communion Alms and Charitable Aid	9 64
Arrears of former Rector's Salary	31 89
Total	1157 40

OFFERINGS—DIOCESAN.

Diocesan Missions:—General, 4.38; Special, 11.00: Total.	15 38
" Disabled Clergy Fund	1 58
" Charges	14 00
Endowment of Episcopate	3 86
Total	36 82

OFFERINGS—EXTRA DIOCESAN.

Domestic Missions: General, 4.33; to the Jews 5.21; Total	9 54
Foreign Missions; General, 11.50; Mexico, 20.00 - Total..	31 50
Yellow Fever Sufferers	32 35
New York Bible and Prayer Book Society	15 44
Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen	6 12
Society for the Increase of the Ministry	1 94
Total	96 89
Grand Total of Offerings	$1291 1:

Report of Rev. Geo. W. Johnson, Missionary in Sussex Co.

As your Missionary, I would respectfully report :

Services on Sunday	131
Week day services	34
Baptisms—infant	23
Confirmed	15
Communicants—reported last year	70
" lost by removal	6
" present number under my charge	79
Marriages	3
Burials	4
Holy communion	17
Sunday School Teachers	22
" " Scholars	175

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$37 00
Diocesan charges	10 00
Paint and repairs	70 00
Other purposes	15 00
Towards the salary of your Missionary	70 00

The above services were about equally divided between St. George's and Long Neck, Indian River; St. Mark's and Collins's School House, Little Creek Hundred, except occasional service rendered to neighboring ministers.

The following is a detailed account of the work:—

St. George's, Indian River.

Marriages	3
Burials	4
Baptisms—infant	2
Holy communion	5
Public services—Sunday, 25; week day, 8; total	33
Communicants—last year	22
" removed to other congregations	2
" added by confirmation	2
" present number	22
Sunday School Teachers	5
" " Scholars	35

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Incidental expenses	$15 00
Repairs to the church	25 00
Diocesan Missions	5 75
Salary of Missionary	55 00
Total	$100 75

Chapel, Long Neck.

Public Services—Sunday, 32; week day, 6; total	38
Baptisms—infant	8
Holy communion	4
Sunday School Teachers	5
" " Scholars	44
Communicants—last year	12
" added by confirmation	2
" present number	14

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Episcopal and Convention fund	$2 25
Incidentals and Sunday School	2 00
Salary of your Missionary	15 00
Total	$19 25

St. Mark's.

Public services—Sunday, 25; week day, 7; total	32
Baptisms—infant	2

Holy communion	5
Communicants—last year	32
" added by confirmation	9
" present number	39
Sunday School Teachers	4
" " Scholars	28

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Painting and repairing the church	$45 00
Episcopal fund	2 00
Diocesan Missions	20 00
Total	$67 00

Collins' School House.

Public services—Sunday, 25; week day, 8; total	33
Baptism—infant	11
Sunday School Teachers	8
" " Scholars	68

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions	$5 00
For Sunday School purposes	5 00
Total	$10 00

The services were well attended, throughout the year. I feel very much encouraged, especially in my Sunday School work.

St. John's Church, Greenville.

REV. WILLIAM R. ELLIS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 7; Adult, 2; Total	9
Confirmed	4
Communicants—Number last reported	40
" Since died	1
" Added	4
" Present number	43

Marriages (one by the Rev. Chas. H. Mead)	3
Funerals	2
Public Services—Sundays	23
" " Other days	14
" " Total	37
Sunday School—Teachers	7
" " Scholars	55

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms	$ 6 00
Diocesan Charges	7 00
Parochial	14 00
Total	$27 00

Rector's salary not included in the above.

Grace Church, Baltimore Mills.

REV. WILLIAM R. ELLIS, Rector.

Communicants—Present number	10
Funeral	1
Public services—Sundays	20
" " Other days	1

OFFERINGS.

Diocesan Charges	$ 2 00
Other purposes	2 00

St. Mark's Church, Millsboro'.

REV. WILLIAM R. ELLIS, Rector.

Baptism—Infant	1
Confirmed	1
Communicants—Number last reported	5
" Added	1
" Present number	6
Marriages	4
Funerals	3

Sunday School—Teachers	7
" " Scholars	47

OFFERINGS.

Communion Alms, and for Sufferers South	$5 00
Diocesan Charges	3 00
Parochial	5 00
Other purposes	12 00
Total	$25 00

Public Services—Sundays	22 00
" " Other days	25 00

APPORTIONMENT

FOR DIOCESAN CHARGES UNDER CANON X.

Ascension, Claymont	$82 00
Grace, Brandywine Hundred	5 00
Calvary, " "	5 00
St. John's, Wilmington	50 00
St. Andrew's, "	175 00
Trinity, "	125 00
Calvary, "	35 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred	85 00
Immanuel, New Castle	88 00
St. James', Newport	7 00
St. James', Stanton	25 00
St. Thomas', Newark	30 00
Christ Church, Delaware City	20 00
St. Anne's, Appoquinimink	45 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna	45 00
Christ Church, Dover	45 00
Christ Church, Milford	30 00
St. John Baptist. Milton	5 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown	25 00
St. Peter's, Lewes	20 00
St. George's, Indian River	8 00
St. Luke's, Seaford	40 00
Christ Church, Broad Creek St. Philip's, Laurel	14 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro	3 00
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills	2 00
St. John's, Greenville	7 00
St. Mark's, Little Creek	2 00

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Clergy, canonically resident	26
Candidates for Orders and Postulants	2
Clergymen settled in Parishes, and Missionaries	21
" having more than one charge	6
" received	5
" dismissed	5
" ordained, Deacons 1, Priests 1,	2
Parishes	31
Churches and Chapels	35
Baptisms,—infant 286, adult 38, total,	274
Confirmed	139
Communicants—removed	88
" died	29
" lost otherwise	68
" added	180
" present number	1919
Marriages	43
Funerals	155
Sunday Schools—Teachers	334
" " Scholars	3012

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions, Diocesan	$ 810 95	
" Domestic	1,871 05	
" Foreign	1,110 61	
" Unclassified	96 50	
Total		$3,889 11
Disabled Clergy Fund		137 00
Charitable		1.469 42
Diocesan Charges		952 70
Endowment of Episcopate		26 24
Societies—Education, Bible, Prayer Book, &c.		776 18
Parochial		17,132 90
Other purposes		1,467 49
Total		$25,851 04

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention will be held in St. Philip's Church, Laurel, on the first Wednesday in June, 1880.

	Total.	Current Expenses.
Ase70	$ 328 20	Current Ex'ps not included
Cal.	124 75	" included.
Gra.	654 18	" included.
St.	2779 47	" included.
St.	3554 96	" not included.
Tri53	3782 54	" included.
Cal.	1203 28	" included.
Chi.	2291 06	" not included.
Ind.	833 16	" not included.
St.	303 96	" included.
St.	703 14	" included.
St.	537 90	" not included.
Chi.	77 72	" included.
St. 0	1482 50	" included.
St. 6	2008 23	" included.
Chi.	1844 50	" included.
Chi.	616 00	" included.
St.	73 00	" included.
St.	585 11	" included.
St.	216 07	" not included.
St.	125 75	" included.
St.	301 45	" not included.
Chi	1291 11	" included.
St.	77 00	" included.
St.	27 [illegible]	" not included.
St.	25 00	" not included.
Gra	4 00	" not included.
Phi	.....	.....
9	$25851 04	

TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS.

DR. *G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.*

1878.				
June	6	To Balance in Treasury		$106 27
"		To cash from	Grace, Brandywine Hundred	5 00
"		" "	Immanuel, New Castle	88 00
"		" "	St James', Stanton	33 00
"		" "	St. Thomas', Newark	35 00
"		" "	Christ. Delaware City	22 00
"		" "	St. Anne's, Appoquinimink	48 00
"		" "	St. Peter's, Smyrna	48 00
"		" "	St. Paul's, Georgetown	25 00
"		" "	St. Peter's, Lewes	20 00
"		" "	St. George's, Indian River	8 00
"		" "	St. Luke's, Seaford	40 00
"		" "	Christ, Broad Creek, & St. Philip's, Laurel.	14 00
"		" "	St. Mark's, Millsboro	3 00
"		" "	Grace, Baltimore Mills	2 00
"		" "	St. John's, Greenville	7 00
"		" "	St. Mark's, Little Creek	2 00
"	10	" "	Christ, Milford	30 00
"		" "	St. John Baptist, Milton.	5 00
July	29	" "	St. James', Newport	7 00
Oct.	1	" "	Christ, Dover	45 00
"	8	" "	Ascension, Claymont	40 00
"	9	" "	Trinity Church, Wilmington, on acct. 1876	75 00
1879.				
Apr.	18	" "	Trinity Church, Wilmington, on acct. 1877	75 00
"	28	" "	St. John's, Wilmington on acct. 1877	25 00
May	19	" "	St. Andrew's, Wilmington, for 1878	175 00
"		" "	St. John's, Wilmington, for 1877	25 00
				1008 27

Gregg Chandler. Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware. CR.

1878.				
June	5	By cash paid	S. M. Curtis, for expenses on Journals, &c.	$29 50
"	"	"	Sexton of Immanuel Church. New Castle....	5 00
"	"	"	Counterfeit Note taken at New Castle.....	5 00
"	10	"	Rev. T. G. Littell.....	1 12
"	11	"	Rt Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D....	817 00
"	20	"	James & Webb. Journal.....	115 50
Oct.	30	"	Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D..	120 00
1879.				
June	2	"	Rt. Rev Alfred Lee, D. D.....	247 50
1879.				
June	4		Balance in Treasury.....	167 65
				1008 27

Examined and found correct.

E. L. MARTIN,
J. P. ARMSTRONG.

[SUPPLEMENTARY.]

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.

1879. DR.

June 4	To Balance in Treasury			$ 167 65
"	To Cash from	Grace, Brandywine Hundred		5 00
"	" "	Immanuel, New Castle		88 00
"	" "	St. James', Stanton		25 00
"	" "	St. Thomas', Newark		30 00
"	" "	Christ, Delaware City, on acct		6 70
"	" "	St. Anne's, Appoquinimink		45 00
"	" "	St. Peter's, Smyrna		45 00
"	" "	St Paul's, Georgetown		
"	" "	St Peter's Lewes		20 00
"	" "	St. George's, Indian River		8 00
"	" "	St. Luke's, Seaford, on acct		28 00
"	" "	Christ Church, Broad Creek, & St. Philip's, Laurel.		14 00
"	" "	St. Mark's, Millsboro		3 00
"	" "	Grace Church, Baltimore Mills		
"	" "	St. John's, Greenville		7 00
"	" "	St. Mark's, Little Creek		2 00
"	" "	Christ Church, Milford		30 00
"	" "	St. John Baptist, Milton		5 00
"	" "	Calvary, Brandywine Hundred		5 00
"	" "	St. James', Newport		7 00
"	" "	Ascension, Claymont		37 00
"	" "	Christ Church, Dover		45 00
" 10	" "	Trinity, Wilmington, on acct		50 00

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.

1879. CR.

June 5	By Cash paid	S. M. Curtis, Secretary, for expenses on Journals, &c		$ 22 58
"	" "	Sexton of Christ Church, Dover		5 00
" 9	" "	Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D		424 00

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in Account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

DISABLED CLERGY FUND.

DR.

1878.			
June 10	To Cash received from E. G. Bradford, Jr.		$726 45
"	" " " Bishop Lee as follows :		
"	Collection taken at the opening of the Convention. New Castle. June 5th,		21 04
"	Collection, Ascension Church. Claymont		11 50
"	" St. Peter's Smyrna		2 50
" 18	" St Philip's Chapel, Laurel		3 53
Oct. 5	Interest on $1,000 Philadelphia & Erie R. R. Bond		30 00
Nov. 7	" " $1,000 City Loan, $30 00; Tax $3 60		33 60
Dec. 7	Collection, Immanuel Church. New Castle		9 23
" 31	" St. James', Stanton		3 00
			$841 45
1879.			
Jan. 2	Collection, St. Thomas', Newark		8 46
" 9	" St. Paul's, Georgetown		10 00
" 11	" Christ Church, Dover		10 00
" 21	" " "		1 00
Mar. 22	" St James', Newport		1 00
April 4	Interest on $1 000 Philadelphia & Erie R. R. Bond		30 00
May 20	Collection St. Andrew's. Wilmington		60 23
" 29	" St. Paul's, Smyrna		5 00
	Total		$967 14
	To cash balance in Bank		$831 14

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

DISABLED CLERGY FUND.

		CR.
1878.		
June 15	By Cash paid Rev. Kensey John Stewart,	$100 00
Oct. 10	" " Fidelity Trust and Safe Deposit Co., Philadelphia, for the safe keeping of 1 (one) thousand dollar Bond of the Philadelphia & E R. R. Co, for one year from date	1 00
Nov. 23	" Cash paid Rev. Kensey J. Stewart	25 00
		$126 00
1879.		
Jan. 23	" Cash paid Rev. Kensey J. Stewart	10 00
	" Cash in Bank	$831 14
	Total	$967 14

INVESTMENTS.

Philadelphia & Erie R. R. 6 per cent., 1st Mortgage Bond. guaranteed by Pennsylvania R. R. Co	$1,000 00
Wilmington City Loan 6 per cent	1,000 00
Cash in Bank	831 14
	$2,831 14

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

DR.

1878.			
July 9	To Cash for Bonds, sold as follows:		
"	1000 Philad'a & Erie 6 per cent., No. 695. at 103¼	$1032	50
"	4000 Philadelphia & Reading, Nos. 757, 2771, 3621		
"	3626 at 103	4120	00
"			
"	Less Commissions and Expenses	$5152	50
"	Paid Elliott, Johnson & Company, as per bill	14	50
"			
"	Balance	$5138	00
"			
" 10	Cash from St. Philip's Chapel, Laurel	3	86
" 16	" " St. Luke's Church, Seaford	3	38
" 23	" " St. James' Church, Stanton	3	00
" 25	" " Christ Church, Dover	6	00
" 29	" " St James' Church, Newport		75
" 30	" " St. Thomas' Church. Newark	4	25
Aug. 5	" " St. Paul's Church, Georgetown	5	00
Sep. 26	" " J. Morrow, 6 mos. interest to Sept. 1st	150	00
Oct. 5	" " 8 Coupons Philad'a & Erie Bonds, $30 00	240	00
1879.			
Mar 18	" " J. Morrow, 6 mos. interest to March 1st	150	00
April 4	" " 8 Coupons Philad'a & Erie Bonds, $30 00	240	00
	Total	$5944	24
	To Cash balance in Bank	156	24

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

		CR.
1875.		
July 9	By Cash paid A. Newlin, for $5000 Bond and Mortgage on Farm of James Morrow, near Newark, Del.....	$5000 00
"	129 days accrued interest.....	107 50
"		
"	Total for Mortgage and Interest.....	$5107 50
"		
Oct. 10	Cash paid Fidelity Trust Company, Philadelphia,	
"	for the safe keeping of 8 one thousand Dollars	
"	Bonds of the Philadelphia & Erie R. R. Company,	
"	for one year from date.....	8 00
Nov. 12	Cash paid Bishop Lee.....	282 50
1879.		
April 4	Cash paid Bishop Lee.....	390 00
	Cash in Bank.....	156 24
	Total.....	$5944 24

INVESTMENTS.

Philadelphia & Erie R. R. 6 per cent., first Mortgage Bonds guaranteed by Pennsylvania R. R. Co.....	$8,000	00
Bond and Mortgage, 1st lien on Farm of James Morrow, near Newark, Delaware.....	5,000	00
Bond of B. T. Holcomb.....	250	00
Cash in Bank	156	24
Total.....	$13,406	24

FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORT.

TO THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE:

Report of.....**Church,**

For the year ending June 1, 18..

REV.....Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, ; Adult, ; Total,.....

Confirmed.....

Communicants—Number last reported.....

Removed, ; Died, ; Lost, ; Added, ...

Present Number.....

Marriages.....

Funerals.....

Sunday Schools & Bible Classes—Teachers, Scholars, } Total,

Public Services.....

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan, ; Domestic, ; .....
Foreign, ; Total,.....

Disabled Clergy Fund of Diocese.....

Charitable.....

Diocesan Charges.....

Societies—Education, ; Bible, ; Prayer Book,&c. ;

Endowment of Episcopate.....

Parochial.....

Other Purposes.....

Total.....

REMARKS:

OFFERINGS REQUIRED BY CANON.

Missions in the Diocese, per Missionary and Education Committee—Semi-annually.

Treasurer, BAUDUY SIMMONS, Wilmington.

Apportionment for Diocesan Charges.

Treasurer, GREGG CHANDLER, Wilmington.

Endowment of Episcopate and Fund for Relief of Sick and Disabled Clergymen.

Treasurer, GEORGE D. ARMSTRONG, Wilmington.

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LIST

OF ALL THE

Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church,

Canonically resident in the Diocese of Delaware,

JUNE 2, 1880.

*Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

*Rev. Edwin C. Alcorn, Deacon, Assistant Minister of St. John's Church, Wilmington.

*Rev. John Baker Clemson, D. D, Rector Emeritus of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont.

*Rev. George W. DuBois, D. D., Rector of Calvary Church, Wilmington.

*Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass, Minister in charge of St. Paul's Church, Georgetown, and Missionary in Sussex County.

*Rev. William R. Ellis, Rector of St. John's Church, Greenville, St. Mark's, Millsboro, and Grace Church, Baltimore Mills. P. O., Millsboro.

*Rev. William J. Frost, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington,

*Rev. Lewis W. Gibson, Rector of Christ Church, Dover.

*Rev. William B. Gordon, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.

*Rev. George Hall, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Lewes.

*Rev. Samuel D. Hall, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Seaford.

*Rev. William D. Hanson, Rector of St. James' Church, Stanton, and St. James', Newport. P. O., Faulkland.

Rev. David Howard, Rector of Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Philip's, Laurel.

*Rev. William McCaulley Jefferis, Professor in Delaware College, and Rector of Grace Church and Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred. P. O., Newark.

*Rev. George W. Johnson, Rector of St. George's Church, Indian River, St. Mark's, Little Creek, and Missionary. P. O., Georgetown.

*Rev. John W. Kaye, Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

*Rev. William G. W. Lewis, Rector of St. Anne's Church, Appoquinimink. P. O., Middletown.

*Rev. T. Gardiner Littell, Rector of St. John's Church, Wilmington.

Rev. Charles E. Milnor, Rector of Christ Church, Milford.

Rev. John Linn McKim, residing at Georgetown.

*Rev. R. Heber Murphy, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont.

Rev. William A. Newbold, Secretary of the American Church Missionary Society. P. O., New York.

Rev. Henry L. Phillips, Rector of Christ Church, Delaware City.

*Rev. Dudley D. Smith, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred. P. O., Wilmington.

*Rev. Charles S. Spencer, Rector of Immanuel Church, New Castle.

*Rev. Kensey Johns Stewart, D. D., residing at Wilmington.

*Rev. Joseph A. Stone, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Newark.

Rev. Elias Weil, residing at Germantown, Pennsylvania.

ALFRED LEE,

Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Delaware.

*Designates those entitled to seats in this Convention.

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES,

Certificates of whose election by their respective Churches were presented and approved.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY.

ASCENSION CHURCH, *Claymont.*—J. B. Wilson.
GRACE CHURCH, *Brandywine Hd.*—Louis Smith, Wm. P. Cresson.
CALVARY CHURCH, *Brandywine Hd.*—John C. Carter, Elias P. Hanby.
ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, *Wilmington.*—Gregg Chandler, Geo. H. Bates.
TRINITY CHURCH, *Wilmington.*—Dr. Horace Burr, Ignatius C. Grubb.
CALVARY CHURCH, *Wilmington.*—Charles Jones, John Taylor.
ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, *Wilmington.*—Isaac S. Elliot, *Geo. A. Elliot.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Christiana Hd.*—James Conly, *Charles Green.
IMMANUEL CHURCH, *New Castle.*—D. Stewart Hessey.
ST. JAMES' CHURCH, *Stanton.*—Thomas Bracken, Alonzo Newlin.
ST. JAMES' CHURCH, *Newport.*—Wm. Jenks Fell, *John M. Newbold.
ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, *Newark.*—S. M. Curtis, Wm. Cooch.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Delaware City.*—*Peter Kline, *Joseph S. Dunlap.
ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, *Appoquinimink.*—Horatio N. Willits, *Henry A. Nowland.

KENT COUNTY.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, *Smyrna.*—Dr. Wm. Cummins, W. T. Cavender.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Dover.*—Dr. Henry Ridgely, Theophilus K. Jones.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Milford.*—*Samuel M. Simpler, *Robert H. Gilman.

SUSSEX COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, *Georgetown.*—Edwin R. Paynter, C. R. Layton.
ST. PETER'S CHURCH, *Lewes.*—*Dr. H. R. Burton, *Geo. D. Orton.
ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, *Seaford.*—Dr. Hugh Martin, Dr. H. F. Porter.
ST. MARK'S CHURCH, *Millsboro.*—Henry C. Frame, *Geo. T. Dodd.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Broad Creek* and ST. PHILIP'S, *Laurel.*— } T. H. Breerwood, E. Fowler, M. D.
ST. JOHN BAPTIST, *Milton.*—————— ——————.
ST. MARK'S CHURCH, *Little Creek.*—Wm. J. Ralph, *John H. O'Neal.
ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, *Greenville.*—Wm. E. Cannon, Joseph T. Jones.
ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, *Indian River.*—Wm. C. Burton, John B. Burton.
GRACE CHURCH, *Baltimore Mills.*—John T. Waples.

*Absent.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, LAUREL, June 2, 1880.

This being the day appointed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware, for the meeting of the Annual Convention, the Bishop of the Diocese and a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled at nine o'clock in the morning, in St. Philip's Church, Laurel.

The Convention was called to order by the Bishop. The Secretary of the last Convention, Mr. George H. Bates, by direction of the Bishop proceeded to call the names of the Clergy of the Diocese, entitled to seats, when the following answered to their names and took their seats, viz:

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.
Rev. Edwin C. Alcorn,
" John B. Clemson, D. D.
" George W. DuBois, D. D.
" Benjamin J. Douglass,
" William R. Ellis,
" Lewis W. Gibson,
" R. Heber Murphy,
Rev. Samuel D. Hall,
" John W. Kaye,
" T. Gardiner Littell,
" Charles S. Spencer,
" Kensey J. Stewart, D. D.
" Joseph A. Stone,
" William D. Hanson,
" Dudley D. Smith.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. Mr. Spencer and Mr. S. M. Curtis a committee to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates.

Of the Lay Delegates reported by the committee as duly elected, the following answered to their names and took their seats, viz:

J. B. Wilson,	Wm. Jenks Fell,
Louis Smith,	S. M. Curtis,
Wm. P. Cresson,	William Cummins, M. D.
Jehu C. Carter,	Henry Ridgely, M. D.
Elias P. Hanby,	Theophilus K. Jones,
Gregg Chandler,	Thomas H. Breerwood,
George H. Bates,	Edward Fowler, M. D.
Horace Burr, M. D.	William J. Ralph,
D. Stewart Hessey,	William C. Burton,
Thomas Bracken,	John B. Burton,
Alonzo Newlin,	John T. Waples.

The Bishop announced the next business in order to be the election of Secretary. Mr. Fell nominated Mr. S. M. Curtis, and there being no other nomination, by unanimous consent a ballot was cast by the Bishop for Mr. Curtis, and no other votes having been cast, the Bishop announced as the result of the ballot that Mr. Curtis had been duly elected, and the Convention was organized for business.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the Secretary was authorized to appoint an assistant.

The Secretary announced that he had appointed as his assistant, Mr. George H. Bates.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Spencer, the Rules of Order of the last Convention were adopted as the Rules of Order of the present session. By direction of the Bishop, the Rules of Order were read by the Secretary, viz:

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, nor shall afterward stand up unless to address the Chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

6. If a question in debate contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

7. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the House, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered as before the House unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing, when required.

10. When any question is before the House, it shall be determined on before anything new is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the Chair.

13. The Journals of the Convention shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and a copy sent to each member of the Convention.

14. The Charge or Sermon, when delivered by the Bishop before the Convention, shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and one copy sent to each Clergyman, and ten copies to each Vestry in the Diocese.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Stone, it was

Resolved, That Clergymen of this Diocese not entitled to seats, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this

Diocese, and candidates for Holy Orders, who may be present, be invited to attend the sittings of the Convention.

Under this resolution were present the Rev. D. Howard and the Rev. H. L. Phillips, of the Diocese of Delaware.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Littell, it was

Resolved, That this Convention will meet daily at 9 o'clock, A. M. to transact business; take a recess from 1 to 3 o'clock and from 6 to 8 o'clock, P. M.

Mr. Chandler presented the accounts of Mr. George D. Armstrong, the Treasurer of "The Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware," and moved that a committee be appointed to audit the same, which motion prevailed, and the Bishop appointed as such committee Dr. H. Ridgely and Dr. Horace Burr.

Mr. Chandler also presented his account as the Treasurer of Convention, and the Bishop appointed Messrs. Wm. J. Fell and Wm. C. Burton, a committee to audit the same.

Rev. Mr. Stone presented and read an abstract of the proceedings of the Standing Committee, for the past year.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

JUNE 1ST, 1880.

The Standing Committee beg leave to offer the following report of their proceedings during the past year:

NEW CASTLE, AUGUST 4th, 1879.—Regular meeting of the Committee. The President laid before the Committee the proper testimonials of the Rev. Samuel S. Harris, D. D., as Bishop elect of the Diocese of Michigan. On motion, voted that the consent of the Committee be given to the consecration of the Rev. Samuel S. Harris, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Michigan.

NEW CASTLE, DEC. 8th, 1879.—Regular meeting of the Committee. The Secretary presented the testimonials of the Rev. Thomas Alfred Starkey, Bishop Elect of the Diocese of Northern New Jersey. On motion, voted that the consent of the Committee be given to the consecration of the Rev. Thomas A. Starkey, as Bishop of the

Diocese of Northern New Jersey. The Secretary presented the proper testimonials of the Rev. John N. Gallaher, D. D., as Bishop Elect of the Diocese of Louisiana. On motion, voted that the consent of the Committee be given to the consecration of the Rev. John N. Gallaher, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Louisiana.

NEW CASTLE, MAY 25th, 1880.—Regular meeting of the Committee. The Secretary presented the testimonials of the Rev. David Howard, Minister of St. Philip's Church, Laurel, Delaware, applying for admission to the Order of Priests. On motion, voted, that said testimonials be signed by the Committee. At the same meeting the President read a letter from the Bishop of the Diocese, in reference to certain differences between the Rev. Henry L. Phillips, Rector, and the Vestry and Choir of Christ Church Delaware City, asking the advice and judgment of the Committee, in the settlement of said "differences." After hearing written statements of all parties concerned, and after careful deliberation, the Committee unanimously passed a series of four resolutions. These were sent to the Bishop of the Diocese for his action and decision, by the Secretary.

Attest: JOSEPH A. STONE,
Secretary of Standing Committee.

Rev. Mr. Littell presented and read the report of the Registrar.

The Registrar reports that he has received twenty-two publications during the past year, from the Registrars of several Dioceses. He has expended in postage during the past two years $1.97.

T. GARDINER LITTELL,
Registrar.

On motion of Dr. Cummins, the Treasurer was directed to pay to the Registrar the sum of $1.97, being the balance due him.

Rev. Dr. Clemson moved that this Convention procure the volume recently prepared by the Bishop of Iowa, on the early history of the Church in Delaware, and the same be committed to the care of the Registrar of the Diocese. The resolution was adopted.

The Bishop then stated that he had a copy of the book referred to, which he would take pleasure in presenting to the Convention.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Spencer, the thanks of the Convention were tendered to the Bishop for his generous offer.

Mr. Cresson offered to present to the Convention the similar work on the early history of the Church in Maryland and Delaware.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Douglass, the thanks of the Convention were tendered to Mr. Cresson for the same.

Mr. Fell, from the committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of Convention, reported that they had examined the same and found them correct. (*For report see appendix.*)

Rev. Mr. Murphy offered the following resolutions and moved their adoption:

WHEREAS, it has pleased Almighty GOD, in his wise Providence, to take out of this world the soul of our friend and brother, GEORGE LODGE, of Claymont, who for many years was a member of this Convention; therefore,

Resolved, That this Convention do hereby record their very high esteem for the great worth of our lamented brother, and that while we bow in humble submission to the Great Head of the Church, we mourn deeply the loss of one who was everywhere highly esteemed as a citizen, as a vestryman, as a member of this body.

Resolved, That this preamble and resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Convention, and that a copy of the same be forwarded to the family of the deceased.

The resolutions were seconded by Mr. Wilson, and after remarks by Mr. Wilson, Rev. Dr. Clemson, and the Bishop, they were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Dr. Cummins moved that the election of Delegates to the General Convention, Standing Committee, and other officers, be made the special order of business immediately after the delivery of the Bishop's annual address, which motion prevailed.

Dr. Ridgely, from the committee appointed to audit the accounts of Mr. George D. Armstrong, Treasurer of "The Trustees," reported that the committee had examined the accounts and found the same correct.

The House then took a recess for divine service.

Morning prayer to the lessons was read by the Rev. B. J. Douglass, Minister in charge of St. Paul's Church, Georgetown; the lessons by the Rev. L. W. Gibson, Rector of Christ Church, Dover; the Creed and prayers following by the Rev. T. Gardiner Littell, Rector of St. John's Church, Wilmington.

The 191st hymn was sung; and the Convention sermon was preached by the Rev. Dudley D. Smith, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, taking his text from the 15th verse of the 16th chapter of the gospel according to St. Mark.

After the singing of the 271st hymn, the Bishop proceeded to ordain to the Order of the Priesthood the Rev. David Howard, Deacon, in charge of Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Philip's, Laurel. The candidate was presented by the Rev. J. W. Kaye, Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington. The Bishop was assisted in the service by the Rev. Dr. Clemson and the Rev. Dr. DuBois, the Rev. Messrs. Spencer, Smith and Kaye also uniting with the Bishop in the laying on of hands.

In the Communion service, the Bishop was assisted by the Rev. C. S. Spencer, and in the distribution of the Ele-

ments by the Rev. Dr. Clemson, Dr. DuBois and the Rev. Mr. Spencer. The Bishop pronounced the benediction.

The Offertory was appropriated to the fund for Infirm and Disabled Clergy.

At the conclusion of the service, the Convention resumed business. On motion, adjourned.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, 3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention re-assembled.

The Secretary, by direction of the Bishop, called the names of the Clergy and Lay Delegates not present at the opening of the Convention, and the following answered to their names:—The Rev. Dr. Frost, the Rev. Messrs. Gordon, Jefferis, Johnson and Lewis, of the Clergy, and of the Laity, Messrs. Grubb, Charles Jones, Taylor, Isaac S. Elliott, Conly, Cooch, Willits, Cavender, Martin, Porter, Frame, Cannon, Joseph T. Jones, Paynter, Layton.

The Secretary read the minutes of the morning session, and they were approved.

The Bishop then read his annual Address, as follows:

ADDRESS TO THE CLERICAL AND LAY MEMBERS OF THE NINETIETH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

Dear Brethren:

I should be ungrateful indeed to the Author of all mercies if I could pen this address without deeply feeling that goodness, which has sustained me during another year of official duty, and permitted me to go onward in my work without interruption or failure. Neither

can I meet again the assembled representatives of the Diocese without a grateful response to the uniform kindness and consideration received at their hands. In my endeavors to watch over and build up this portion of the Church I have been warmly seconded and assisted by their cordial co-operation. For the measure of success which has been enjoyed, we are chiefly indebted to the faithful and earnest labors of my brethren in the ministry, and where the manifest fruit has not abounded according to our hope, the deficiency is not attributable to any remissness or neglect of theirs. The impression made upon my mind, by the review of the past Conventional year, is one of thankfulness for healthful, steady improvement, and indications beyond what we have deserved of the divine blessing.

On Trinity Sunday, June 8th, 1879, I took part in the 181st anniversary of the Old Swedes' Church, Wilmington, on which occasion I delivered the sermon and confirmed a class of twenty persons.

On the 19th June, I presided at the Commencement of the Philadelphia Divinity School and addressed the graduating class.

On St. John Baptist's day, June 24th, 1879, in the city of Pittsburgh, assisted by the Bishops of Ohio, Pennsylvania, Western New York, Pittsburgh, and Long Island, members of the Mexican Commission, and the Bishop of Western Virginia, I consecrated the Rev. Henry Riley, D. D., Bishop elect of the valley of Mexico, to that office. This highly important act was the result of protracted and earnest consideration on the part of the Commission. Sensible of the weightiness of their trust, and alive to the great principles involved and the important consequences that might flow from their action, they have proceeded with great deliberation and entire unanimity. Although for the last two years their Chairman, the late Bishop of Maryland, had been prevented by illness from attending their meetings, they had his cordial assent and concurrence in all their measures, and emphatically in the consecration above mentioned. The sermon on this occasion, of great clearness and force, was preached by the Bishop of Western New York. In carrying out the stipulations of the covenant between the Bishops of our Church and the Mexican Branch of the Catholic Church, many questions of delicacy and difficulty were to be adjusted, especially in connection with Liturgical forms and offices. This work has been greatly delayed by domestic afflictions under which Bishop Riley has suffered, and by his visit to England soon after his consecration, from which he has not yet returned. He has while abroad complied with a suggestion of the Lambeth Conference that a

Bishop, when consecrated for Mexico, should visit certain congregations in Spain and Portugal, which had been organized on the basis of pure faith and primitive order, and made application to the Conference for an Episcopal visit. This has of course prolonged his stay and deferred that Synodal action of the Mexican Church which awaits his return to that country. The Commission have kept the Church informed of their progress as far as was practicable, but obviously could not publish what was yet incomplete and not finally ratified.

Within four months after this service, the Mexican Commission, in common with the whole Church, was called to mourn the loss of one, whose counsels had been most valued and important, their associate and Chairman, the Rt. Rev. Wm. R. Whittingham, Bishop of Maryland. Upon the elevated character and remarkable intellectual gifts and learning of this eminent man it needs not that I dwell. He was widely known and highly esteemed, not only throughout our own Church in which his influence was so weighty, but in other branches of the Church of Christ. On the 21st October, I attended his funeral at Orange, New Jersey, and after the service was called to preside at a very large meeting of Bishops and Clergy, assembled to testify their sorrow at the loss sustained by his removal, and their appreciation of his great attainments and noble unselfish character.

On the 23d September, I was present at the consecration of St. Stephen's Chapel, Cecilton, by the Bishop of the Diocese of Easton, and at his request delivered the sermon.

CLERICAL CHANGES.

The Rev. R. Heber Murphy accepted a call to the Rectorship of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont, and took charge July 1st, 1879. The Rev. Edwin C. Alcorn, from the Diocese of Michigan, became assistant minister of St. John's Church, Wilmington, Sept., 1879. The Rev. Wm. Geo. Ware, resigned Calvary church, Wilmington, Nov. 1, 1879, and was succeeded in the Rectorship by the Rev. Geo. W. DuBois, D. D., who took charge the first Sunday in Advent, November 30th. The Rev. John Leighton McKim has removed to New Jersey, resigning the charge of Christ Church, Milford, after Advent Sunday, 1879, the eighteenth anniversary of his assuming the Rectorship, in which charge he was the successor of his father. Mr. McKim's long and diligent pastorate had greatly attached to him his parishioners, and his zeal and energy were felt

beyond the limits of his own parish. As a missionary he was indefatigable, often walking, after morning service in his church, ten or twelve miles to meet his appointments. He takes with him to his new and important educational work the good wishes and prayers of his former associates in this Diocese. The Rev. Charles H. Mead resigned in October last the charge of Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Philip's, Laurel. Mr. Mead's ministry here was brief in duration, but very laborious and earnest. He has been succeeded by the Rev. David Howard, who entered upon his duties, Feb. 1st, 1880. The Rev. Henry L. Phillips, from the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania, accepted a call to the Rectorship of Christ Church, Delaware City, and took charge on the first Sunday of the present year. Since reading this address I have had notice of the acceptance of a call to Christ Church, Milford, by the Rev. Charles E. Milnor, of the Diocese of Easton.

The additions to our Clergy have been :—

The Rev. Edwin C. Alcorn, Deacon from the Diocese of Michigan, letter accepted September 29, 1879.

The Rev. Geo. W. DuBois, D. D., from New Jersey, November 26, 1879.

Rev. Henry L. Phillips, from Central Pennsylvania, Jan. 8, 1880.

Rev. David Howard, Deacon, from New Jersey, Feb. 14, 1880.

Rev. Charles E. Milnor, from Easton, June 3, 1880.

DISMISSED.

The Rev. Wm. Geo. Ware to Pennsylvania, letter accepted Nov. 7, 1879.

Rev. Charles H. Mead, to Maryland, Dec. 14, 1879.

Rev. John Leighton McKim to New Jersey, May 12, 1880.

CANDIDATE FOR DEACON'S ORDERS.

Robert Wright, Jr., from May 4, 1876.

POSTULANT.

Martin Ball Dunlap, July 21, 1877.

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

Rev. Joseph A. Stone. Rev. Charles S. Spencer.

CONFIRMATIONS.

In Church of Ascension, Claymont,	4
" Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred,	10
" Calvary Church, " "	6
" St. John's Wilmington,	20
" St. Andrew's, "	14
" Trinity, " Old Church 20, Chapel 24,	44
" Immanuel, New Castle,	7
" St. James, Newport,	3
" St. James, Stanton,	7
" St. Thomas, Newark,	1
" Christ Church, Delaware City,	5
" St. Anne's, Middletown,	7
" St. Peter's, Smyrna,	1
" Christ Church, Dover,	9
" St. Peter's, Lewes,	3
" St. John Baptist, Milton,	1
" St. Luke's, Seaford,	2
" St. Mark's, Little Creek,	2
" St. John's, Greenville,	2
" Chapel, Long Neck,	1
" St. Mark's, Millsboro,	2
" St. Andrew's, Ellis Grove,	1
" School Houses in Mr. Douglass' Mission,	2
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In the Diocese of Pennsylvania, during the illness of Bishop Stevens, I confirmed forty-one persons.

I mentioned in last year's Report the services carried on by our Missionary in Sussex Co., the Rev. G. W. Johnson, at Collins' School House, in Little Creek Hundred; as promising good results. This promise has been well fulfilled. A modest but extremely neat and convenient rural church has been recently erected at an exceedingly moderate outlay. The land and materials have been given by residents in that vicinity, and with equal freeness the labor of their hands. It has cost the missionary no small amount of exertion and self-denial, for which I trust he will be compensated by seeing a good congregation grow up and flourish there under his ministry. The Church, designated as St. Andrew's, Ellis Grove, was opened for divine service on the 1st day of June, a member of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese being in attendance. Its formal consecration is deferred on account of some remaining indebtedness, a hindrance which I

trust the generous sympathy of his brethren will soon enable Mr. Johnson to remove.

Of the advance towards completion made by St. Philip's Church, Laurel, the members of the Convention can judge with their own eyes, as well as of the beauty and convenience of the edifice. As I hope, if spared to make another annual address, to be able then to record its consecration to the worship of God, I will reserve further comment for that occasion, only remarking here my appreciation of the harmony and energy with which the work has been prosecuted, and the wise determination to which the Vestry have adhered to incur no debt.

The interest attendant upon our assembling in this church has been much enhanced by the ordination to the Priesthood this day of the newly settled Rector of the Parish, the Rev. David Howard. Mr. Howard is also holding services in the old Broad Creek Church with encouraging prospects. No other Ordinations have been held during the year.

I trust, dear brethren, that to the evidences of divine favor that should fill our hearts with thankfulness another will be added in the large heartedness and brotherly kindness animating this Convention, and that the God of love and peace will be with us.

ALFRED LEE.

Mr. Chandler, from the committee on the apportionment of the Episcopal Fund presented a report, which, upon motion of Mr. Curtis, was referred to a special committee.

The Bishop appointed as the committee, Rev. Messrs. Spencer, Gibson, Douglass, and Mr. Curtis, Dr. Ridgely and Dr. Martin.

The Bishop announced as the special order at this time the election of Standing Committee, Deputies to the General Convention and other officers.

The election of the Standing Committee being first in order, the Bishop appointed as tellers to hold the same, Rev. Messrs. Gordon and Hanson of the Clergy, Mr. Grubb and Dr. Cummins of the Laity.

The tellers reported the ballot, and the Bishop announced the election as members of the Standing Committee, for the ensuing year, of Rev. Messrs. Spencer and Stone, and Mr. Curtis and Dr. Burr, and requested members of the Convention to prepare ballots for one clerical member of the committee.

Pending the report of the tellers, the Rev. Dr. Frost presented the report of the committee appointed to draft a Canon providing for a Permanent Committee on Constitution and Canons, which was read and laid on the table for the present.

The tellers reported the second ballot, and the Bishop declared that the Rev. Lewis W. Gibson had been elected as the remaining member of the Standing Committee.

The election of Deputies to the General Convention being next in order, the Bishop requested the Convention to prepare ballots for four Clerical and four Lay Deputies, and appointed the same tellers.

While the tellers were counting the ballots, the Rev. Dr. Clemson presented the report of the Missionary and Education Committee, which was read, as follows:

REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Receipts and Expenditures.

DR.

Balance in Treasury, June 4, 1879,		$68.75
Collection at Convention, 1879,		13.91
From Churches, for General Purposes.		
Ascension, Claymont,	$16.05	
St. John's, Wilmington,	15.10	
St. Andrew's, " (from Sunday School, $25.00),	153.00	
Trinity, Wilmington,	13.00	
Calvary, "	7.53	
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	95.50	

Immanuel, New Castle,	39.87	
St, James', Newport,	2.83	
St. James', Stanton,	6.54	
St. Anne's, Middletown,	5.00	
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	30.00	
Christ Church, Dover,	23.81	
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	10.00	
St. Peter's, Lewes,	8.00	
St. Luke's, Seaford (Sunday School, 2.00),	5.00	
St. George's, Indian River,	5.00	
St. Mark's, Little Creek,	22.00	
St. Andrew's, Ellis Grove,	5.00	
		$463.23

From Churches, Special.

St. John's, Wilmington, for Delaware City, $7.00, Church at Laurel, $5.00, Ellis Grove, $5.00,	17.00	
St. Andrew's, Wilmington, Church at Ellis Grove,	91.00	
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, Church at Ellis Grove,	88.00	
		196.00

From Individuals.

Jesse Lane,	100.00	
Samuel Harlan,	50.00	
S. M. Curtis,	50.00	
B. Simmons,	25.00	
Per Bishop Lee,	25.00	
G. Chandler,	20.00	
F. A. Curtis,	20.00	
Rev. B. J. Douglass,	10.00	
J. C. Seeds,	12.00	
		312.00
		$1,053 89

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Paid Salary, Rev. J. L. McKim,	100.00	
" " Rev. G. W. Johnson,	500.00	
" " Rev. H. M. Phillips,	44.50	
" Building Church at Laurel,	5.00	
" " " Ellis Grove,	184.00	
		833.50
Balance,		220.39
		$1,053.89

The Committee are gratified to report improvement in the Parochial Contributions. Last year twenty churches sent them for general purposes, $413.25, this year eighteen churches contribute $463.23 for general, and $196.00 for special objects. Donations from individuals fall below those of 1879. Total receipts exceed those of last year, $122.58.

Of the good effected by the labors of our Missionaries we have satisfactory evidence. Our small outlay brings rich returns. One substantial proof of this is the erection of a neat and commodious Church in Little Creek Hundred, Sussex Co., at a point where the Rev. Mr. Johnson had been holding services, and keeping up a Sunday School. This result is due to the diligent and unwearied efforts of the Missionary, leading the people in that vicinity not only by exhortation, but by example, to give the labor of their hands as well as the required materials.

The house of prayer thus reared in a very short space of time will prove, we hope, a blessing to them and their children. This edifice, designated as St. Andrew's Chapel, Ellis Grove, was opened for divine worship by the Bishop and a number of the Clergy of the Diocese, on Tuesday, June 1, 1879, a large congregation being gathered, and showing great interest in the solemn and appropriate service.

The Committee have lost the efficient services of their oldest Missionary, the Rev. John Leighton McKim, by his removal from the Diocese. Mr. McKim's zeal and energy are too well known to need a word of eulogy from us. He has left behind him permanent tokens of his missionary work in the Churches which he was instrumental in building at Milton and Harrington, and his assistance was always freely given to Parishes and Mission Stations in that part of the Diocese in which he resided.

The Rev. Henry L. Phillips, having become Rector of Christ Church, Delaware City, was placed on our list of missionaries from January 1, 1880.

It is the wish of the Committee to continue their aid to the field lately occupied by Mr. McKim, and also to extend assistance to the southwestern part of Sussex County. In the venerable colonial church at Broad Creek the Rev. Mr. Howard of Laurel continues the labors of his predecessor, the Rev. Charles Mead, and has assuredly the sympathy of the Diocese in his exertions for gathering a congregation in that ancient Sanctuary.

At Bridgeville and vicinity the Rector of St. Luke's, Seaford, it is thought, might introduce the services of our Church with advantage. The Committee have felt strongly drawn to this enlargement of their operations, and at the last meeting voted $100 each to Milton, Harrington, and Broad Creek, and $50 to Bridgeville. The responsibility of redeeming these pledges we devolve upon the churches of the Diocese. If they all respond according to their ability there will be no difficulty in doing all we propose, and more. Neither let scanty means for sustaining their own pastoral ministrations keep back any parishes from taking their part in this good work. What is given to missions is not, as some persons seem to think, so much withdrawn from the resources of the Parish. Experience shows the contrary. People whose hearts are opened to appeals for extending the gospel and the ministrations of the Church to those who need them will, with more readiness and cheerfulness, contribute to their own parochial calls. Feeble parishes need the invigorating stimulant of Christian benevolence. Let those churches which are straitened in their own means of self-support act upon the Savior's rule, "Give and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down and shaken together and running over, shall men give into your bosom."

LAUREL, June 2, 1880.

ALFRED LEE,
JOHN B. CLEMSON,
D. D. SMITH,
B. SIMMONS,
WM. JENKS FELL.

Rev. Mr. Spencer, from the special committee to whom was referred the apportionment of the Episcopal Fund, reported back the same for the action of the Convention, without any recommendation.

The tellers reported the result of the first ballot for Deputies to the General Convention, and the Bishop announced the election of two Clerical and four Lay Deputies, viz:—the Rev. Messrs. Douglass and Gordon, and Messrs. Curtis, Bates, Fell and Dr. Burr.

The Bishop requested members of the Convention to prepare their ballots for two Clerical Deputies.

The tellers having reported the ballot, the Bishop announced that there was no election, and the Convention proceeded to take the third ballot.

The tellers having reported, the Bishop announced that there was no election.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Clemson, the Convention adjourned.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, 8 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention assembled to attend the Missionary meeting.

After the singing of the 290th hymn, Evening Prayer was read by the Rev. Messrs. Kaye and Stone. Addresses were made by the Bishop, Rev. Dr. DuBois, Dr. Clemson and the Rev. Mr. Gordon.

The usual offerings were made for Missions in the Diocese. After the singing of the Missionary hymn, the Bishop closed with prayer and the benediction.

The House then resumed business.

On motion of Dr. Cummins, it was

Resolved, **That the thanks of the Convention be tendered to the Rector, Wardens and Vestry of St. Philip's Church, and to the citizens of Laurel, for their kindness and hospitality, and further that we congratulate the members of this congregation upon the near completion of their neat and commodious Church.**

On the further motion of Dr. Cummins, it was

Resolved, That the usual compensation be paid to the Sexton of this Church.

The business in order at the time of adjournment, being the election of Deputies to the General Convention, was resumed.

The Bishop requested the members of the Convention to prepare their ballots for two Clerical Deputies.

The tellers reported the result of the ballots, and the Bishop announced that both orders had concurred in the election of the Rev. Messrs. Smith and Littell, and that the number of Deputies to be elected was complete.

Dr. Cummins moved that the next Convention be held in Calvary Church, Wilmington.

The Rev. Dr. Clemson moved to amend by substituting St. Thomas' Church, Newark; which amendment was lost.

The question recurring upon the original motion, the same was adopted.

Rev. Mr. Littell moved the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the order of the day, immediately after the opening services at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning, be the report of the Committee on Title to Church Property; and so soon as that is disposed of, that the order of the day be the report of the Committee on Assessment of the Parishes for the endowment of the Episcopate.

Pending the consideration of the resolution, on motion of Rev. Mr. Hanson, the House adjourned.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, June 3, 1880.

The Convention assembled at 9 o'clock, A. M.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. Messrs. Gordon, Alcorn and Ellis. The 190th hymn was sung and the Bishop pronounced the benediction. The Convention was called to order.

The roll was called, and a quorum being present, the minutes were read and approved.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Gibson, the Rev. Mr. Spencer was nominated to fill any vacancy which may exist in the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary from this Diocese.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the Secretary was directed to have 500 copies of the Journal printed, and the Treasurer was authorized to pay the bill for the same when certified by the Secretary to be correct.

Rev. Dr. Frost called up the report of the committee to frame a Canon providing for the appointment of a Standing Committee on Constitution and Canons, and the report was accordingly taken up for consideration.

To the Ninetieth Convention of the Diocese of Delaware:

The Committee appointed to draft and report to this Convention a Canon, providing for a standing committee on the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese, respectfully present the following, and ask the action of the Convention upon the same:

CANON ——

OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

I. There shall be chosen by ballot a committee of five persons, two clergymen and three laymen of this diocese, members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, who shall constitute a permanent committee, to whom shall be referred for consideration and report

thereon all matters having relation to the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese.

II. The members of this committee shall be elected on the nomination of the Bishop, and in his absence of the President of the Diocesan Convention.

III. At the first election for the members of this committee they shall be designated and chosen to serve for one, two, three, four and five years respectively; and at each annual convention thereafter one member shall be chosen to serve for the full term of five years.

IV. This committee shall have power to fill any vacancies occurring in its Body between the meetings of Convention.

WM. J. FROST,
S. M. CURTIS,
GEO. H. BATES.

WEDNESDAY, June 2, 1880.

The Canon reported by the Committee was adopted by sections, and afterwards as a whole.

Rev. Dr. Clemson presented and read a report from the Special Committee on Title to Church Property, as follows:

The Committee to whom has been entrusted the very comprehensive and important subject of church property within the limits of our Diocese, as to its custody and security, beg leave to offer their *Second* report.

The subject assumes greater magnitude and value as its consideration and examination are extended. We find, too, that the interest in the subject is not confined to one or two Dioceses, but is becoming the one anxious and popular topic of the general Church. So that it has been the subject of earnest discussion in several Dioceses; and while the necessity of a particular and guarded legislation is acknowledged, there is a difficulty in determining the exact kind to be provided, and to harmonize it with common law, usage and sentiment.

All consideration thus far seems to culminate in the prominent idea of each Diocese having some corporate body within its jurisdiction to whom all matters pertaining to church property, whether churches, chapels, school houses, glebes or bequests, can be referred as lawful and wise custodians, and exercising certain supervisory and protective powers.

There is now no person or corporation empowered to hold funds for this Diocese as a whole, or for any general purpose connected with it. As the Diocese itself is not incorporated, in order to hold property for any specified purpose, some special trust should be created. If so, shall it rest in the Episcopal Head of the Diocese, in the standing committee, or in a distinct Trusteeship capable of acting for the Diocese at large? For each of these three points there may be something expressed pro or con. Your committee would lean rather to the appointment of a distinct committee with corporate powers, its material being mainly selected from the lay membership of the Church.

Long experience has sadly proven that the vestries of churches are not proper and reliable custodians, owing to the great and ever-present temptation of encroaching on the principal of any funds in possession of the Parish; and from the difficulty often existing of obtaining persons to constitute vestries of sufficient intelligence and capacity to manage trust funds. A body of Diocesan Trustees, elected by the Convention, could always command the best and most reliable talent of the Diocese; and its members would have neither the power, nor be subject to the temptation, of using the funds under their control for any other purposes than those for which they were intended. A neighboring Bishop has said in his convention address, "Experience has taught me that in many cases it would be far better if the property of several of the weaker parishes could be held by a board of Diocesan Trustees, specially intrusted with the financial oversight over them, instead of being under the control of vestries, made up, perhaps, of irresponsible men, ignorant of church law, careless as to church property, and serving only personal ends by becoming officers of a Parish." Besides the difficulty often of finding suitable men, men of intelligence, principle and character, there is the constant temptation to mortgage or otherwise encumber the Parish property, in order to meet incidental expenses, or make often unnecessary or extravagant improvements.

The knowledge that all church property was securely guarded by an intelligent and independent committee, appointed by the Convention, would inspire general confidence, and parishes and institutions would, we doubt not, be made the recipients of donations and bequests that are now not thought of or prudentially withheld.

While your Committee are not yet prepared to make a recommendation with respect to the best method of vesting title to church

property held for the actual uses of the Parishes, as this subject is now undergoing careful consideration throughout the church, yet it cannot be doubted that for many purposes some comprehensive incorporation either of the Diocese, of the Convention or of some Diocesan body is not only expedient, but necessary. In view of the fact that to secure such incorporation, action will be necessary by a Legislature to sit before the next Convention, we recommend that action be taken for securing such legislation, either by amendment of the existing charter or a new one, and that such corporation be made comprehensive enough to serve as the trustee and custodian of any kind of property for any purposes, either diocesan or parochial.

We recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution:

Resolved, That it is expedient that a corporation be created by amendment or new charter of trustees, to be selected from time to time by the Convention, whose business it shall be to administer all trusts concerning property which may be confided to it for the general use of the Diocese or for the benefit of any particular parish or institution in it.

JOHN B. CLEMSON,
HORACE BURR,
GEO. H. BATES.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Littell, the report was taken up for consideration, and the resolution reported by the committee was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Fell, it was

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to procure from the Legislature a charter or an amendment] of the existing charter, providing for such a corporate body as that contemplated by the foregoing resolution.

The Bishop appointed as the committee Messrs. Bates, Grubb and Fell.

On motion of Mr. Fell, the report of the committee on the apportionment of the Episcopal Fund was taken up for consideration.

TO THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO MAKE AN APPORTIONMENT AMONG THE PARISHES OF THE DIOCESE OF A FUND FOR THE ENDOWMENT OF THE EPISCOPATE.

For the original appointment of this Committee the Convention is referred to Journal of 1875, page 34, and for further action to Journals of 1878, page 23, and of 1879, page 20. In 1879 the Committee was continued, and requested to proceed at once to make the apportionment and publish the same in the Journal.

Your Committee found it impracticable to complete the duty assigned to them, involving no small degree of careful deliberation, in time for the issue of the last Journal. In order, however, that the results at which they arrived might be fully considered, previously to the meeting of the present Convention, copies of their report were distributed some time before the day of assembling.

In the original and subsequent resolutions, the sum of $30,000 was named as the basis of apportionment, credit to be given to each Parish for all contributions heretofore made to the Endowment Fund by the Parish or its members. This was evidently contemplated as the amount of the proposed endowment.

To our Report of 1879 was appended a list of previous contributions to this Fund. In compliance with the expressed wish of Mr. Wm. J. Fell, the Parishes of St. James', Stanton, and St James', Newport, were credited with amounts contributed by his late lamented father, Mr. Franklin Fell, including his life-insurance legacy. The sum thus credited, $2,718.76, much exceeds any apportionment which would be made to these Parishes, and it has seemed to your Committee a preferable course to omit them from the assessment, and to deduct the above named sum from the amount to be raised. The available assets of the Episcopal Fund fall a little short of $14,000, a portion of which was derived from rise in the value of investments. Your Committee find that if $25,000 is apportioned among the Parishes, omitting Stanton and Newport, and the parochial contributions, less $2,718.76, deducted, the balance will a little exceed $16,000, which added to the present investments will make up the $30,000 required.

A schedule of apportionment has been therefore framed upon this basis. Until Parishes fully discharge their respective quotas,

the Committee suggest that they be required to pay interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum upon the balance remaining unpaid, and that other methods now in operation for the support of the Episcopate, aside from interest upon investments, be dispensed with. Thus the annual income of the Fund will be secured, and as each Parish reduces the balance of its indebtedness, the yearly charge will be proportionally diminished. The Committee scarcely anticipate that their apportionment will give universal satisfaction, but they have taken much pains in endeavoring to make it as equitable as possible, leaving it to the Convention to amend as they think fit. The balances stated as due are put in round numbers, in most cases a little exceeding the precise differences between the apportionments and credits.

The Committee present their conclusions for consideration by the Convention in the shape of the following resolutions.

1. *Resolved*, That the schedule of apportionment upon the Parishes of the Diocese for completing an Episcopal Endowment, herewith published, is established by the Convention.

2. *Resolved*, That until the respective amounts of apportionment be discharged in full, interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, upon the balances remaining due, be paid annually to the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware.

3. *Resolved*, That such accruing interest, together with the income of investments, be applied to the support of the Episcopate, and that the present annual assessment for that purpose included in Diocesan Charges is henceforth discontinued.

4. *Resolved*, That Canon X. be amended in conformity with the foregoing resolution, and furthermore, that the requirement of an annual offering for this Fund (Journal of 1875, page 34,) is hereby repealed.

Respectfully submitted,

GREGG CHANDLER,
BAUDUY SIMMONS,
GEO. D. ARMSTRONG, } *Committee.*

WILMINGTON, March, 1880.

SCHEDULE OF APPORTIONMENTS.

PARISHES.	AMOUNT.	CREDIT.	BALANCE.
Ascension, Claymont, - - -	$ 900 00	$ 102 57	$ 800 00
Grace, Brandywine Hundred, - -	100 00	22 70	80 00
Calvary, " " - -	100 00	10 60	85 00
St. John's, Wilmington, - -	1600 00	171 79	1430 00
St. Andrew's " - -	6000 00	4872 00	1150 00
Trinity, " - -	2800 00	232 16	2575 00
Calvary, " - -	450 00	11 50	435 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	2250 00		2250 00
Immanuel, New Castle, - - -	3500 00	2262 81	1240 00
St. Thomas', Newark, - - -	900 00	269 95	635 00
Christ Church, Delaware City, -	300 00	13 42	285 00
St. Anne's, Appoquinimink Hundred,	1000 00	12 03	990 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna, - - - -	1050 00	610 00	450 00
Christ Church, Dover, - - -	1050 00	61 48	990 00
Christ Church, Milford, - - -	800 00	125 00	680 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown, - - -	500 00	10 00	490 00
St. Peter's, Lewes, - - - -	500 00	100 00	400 00
St. Luke's, Seaford, - - -	600 00	11 94	590 00
Christ Church, B. C., and Laurel, -	300 00	8 25	295 00
St. John's, Greenville, - - -	100 00		100 00
St. George's, Indian River, - -	100 00		100 00
St. John Baptist, Milton, - -	100 00		100 00
	$25,000 00	$8,908 20	$16,150 00

Mr. Fell proposed the following amendment:

Proposed Apportionment among the Parishes of the Diocese of Delaware, of $30,000, in pursuance of resolution of the Convention of 1875. Journal Pages 33 and 34.

Church of the Ascension, Claymont,	$ 900 00
Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred,	300.00
Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred,	100.00
St. John's Church, Wilmington,	1,500.00
St. Andrew's Church,	8,750.00
Trinity Church, Wilmington,	2,750.00
Calvary Church, Wilmington,	450.00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	3,250.00
Immanuel Church, New Castle,	3.250.00
St. James' Church, Stanton,	1,000.00
St. James' Church, Newport,	250.00
St. Thomas' Church, Newark,	900.00
Christ Church, Delaware City,	300.00
St. Anne's Church, Appoquinimink,	1,000.00

St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,	1,000.00
Christ Church, Dover,	1,000.00
Christ Church, Milford,	800.00
St. John Baptist Church, Milton,	250 00
St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,	500.00
St. Peter's Church, Lewes,	500.00
St. George's Church, Indian River,	100.00
St. Luke's Church, Seaford,	600.00
Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Philip's, Laurel,	250.00
St. Mark's Church, Little Creek,	100.00
St. John's Church, Greenville,	100.00
St. Mark's Church, Millsboro,	50.00
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	50.00
	$30,000.00

The question being taken on the amendment, it was adopted, and the first resolution, as amended, was adopted.

The second resolution having been taken up for consideration, the Rev. Mr. Lewis moved that it be laid on the table, which motion prevailed.

The third resolution, on motion of Mr. Curtis, was laid on the table.

The fourth resolution, on the further motion of Mr. Curtis, was also laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the Treasurer was directed to pay the account of the Secretary of the last Convention, for his official expenses for the past year.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Douglass, the committee on the apportionment of the Episcopal Fund was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

On motion of Mr. Curtis, it was

Resolved, That the Clerical members of the Standing Committee be a committee to draft, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop, a report of the state of the Church in this Diocese, to be presented to the General Convention.

The Bishop nominated the following as a committee on Constitution and Canons.

Rev. W. J. Frost, D. D.,	5 years.
" B. J. Douglass,	4 "
Dr. Horace Burr,	3 "
Mr. George H. Bates,	2 "
Dr. H. Ridgely,	1 "

A ballot being taken, the gentlemen nominated were elected.

On motion of Mr. Curtis, it was

Resolved, That after the reading of the minutes, and prayers, the House adjourn.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The Bishop offered the closing prayers and pronounced the benediction.

S. M. CURTIS, *Secretary.*

DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

THE RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, D.D., *Bishop and President of the Convention.* Residence, Wilmington.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Charles S. Spencer, *President*, New Castle.
" Joseph A. Stone, *Secretary*, Newark.
" Lewis W. Gibson.
Mr. S. M. Curtis.
Dr. Horace Burr.

DEPUTIES TO GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass,	S. M. Curtis,
" Wm. B. Gordon,	Geo. H. Bates,
" Dudley D. Smith,	Horace Burr, D. D.,
" T. Gardiner Littell,	W. Jenks Fell.

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

Rev. Joseph A. Stone, Rev. Charles S. Spencer.

MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., *Chairman.*
" John B. Clemson, D. D.,
" D. D. Smith,
Mr. Bauduy Simmons, *Treasurer.*
" William Jenks Fell.

TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rev. T. Gardiner Littell,	Rev. William J. Frost, D. D.,
" Lewis W. Gibson,	" Charles S. Spencer.

TRUSTEES OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

Hon. Edward G. Bradford, George H. Bates,
George B. Rodney, George D. Armstrong, *Treasurer.*
George H. Raymond.

REGISTRAR OF CONVENTION.

Rev. T. Gardiner Littell.

TREASURER OF CONVENTION.

Gregg Chandler, Wilmington.

SECRETARY OF CONVENTION.

S. M. Curtis, Newark.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

Geo. H. Bates, Wilmington.

ATTEST, S. M. CURTIS, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Church of the Ascension, Claymont.

REV. R. HEBER MURPHY, Rector.

REV. JOHN B. CLEMSON, D. D., Rector Emeritus.

Baptisms,		8
Confirmed,		4
Communicants—Last reported,	36	
" Removed,	1	
" Died,	2	
" Number actually communing,		45
Marriages,		1
Funerals,		6
Sunday School—Teachers,		6
" Scholars,		50
Public Services (for 10½ months),		112

OFFERINGS.

Missions—Diocesan,	$16 05	
" Foreign,	20 93	
" Domestic,	5 90	
" Indian,	28 00	
" Colored,	28 40	
		$ 99 28
Disabled Clergy Fund,	$ 2 80	
Diocesan Charges, for two years,	50 15	
Prayer Book Society,	2 50	
Hospital of Good Shepherd,	17 00	
		72 45

Alms,	$ 33 41	
For Sunday School,	50 53	
Raised by Ladies' Aid Society,	411 59	
Specials,	20 00	
Current expenses, not including Rector's salary,	447 15	
		$962 68
Total,		$1,134 41

Of the above amounts the children of the Sunday-school contributed $34.25.

The Rector takes pleasure in reporting that he has lately taken up his residence in the Parish. The Rectory has just been fitted up in nice style, at an expense of more than $400, which amount has been raised through the energetic efforts of the members of the Ladies' Aid Society.

REPORT OF THE REV. JOHN B. CLEMSON, Rector Emeritus of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont.

It has been my steady endeavor to fulfil faithfully my ministerial obligations. I have been permitted to officiate on most Sundays and Holydays of the year.

Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred.

REV. WILLIAM M. JEFFERIS, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult 4, Infant 6, total,		10
Confirmed,		10
Communicants—Last reported,	20	
" Added,	13	
" Present number,		33

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Teachers,	9
Scholars,	100

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms,	$ 21 32
Offerings from Sunday School,	65 50
Current Expenses,	729 75
Special, for the Poor,	60 00
Clothing (mostly new) for destitute,	35 00
Subscribed for general repairs,	50 00
For Sunday School Leaflets,	7 00
Diocesan charges,	5 00
Sunday School Festival,	60 00
	$1,033 57

Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred.

REV. WILLIAM M. JEFFERIS, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult 4, Infant 2, total,		6
Confirmed,		6
Communicants—Last reported,	19	
" Removed,	2	
" Added,	8	
" Present number,		25

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Teachers,	5
Scholars,	72

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms,	$ 14 52
Sunday School Festival,	35 00
Diocesan Charges,	5 00
Sunday School Leaflets,	7 00
Current Expenses,	100 00
	$161 52

St. John's Church, Wilmington.

REV. T. GARDINER LITTELL, Rector.
REV. EDWIN C. ALCORN, Assistant.

Baptisms—Infant, 41; Adult, 2; Total,		43
Confirmed,		21
Communicants—Number last reported,	128	
" Died,	2	
" Lost by removal,	17	
" Gained by removal,	11	
" Added,	18	
" Present number,		138
Marriages,		6
Burials,		11
Public Services—On Sundays, 128; other days, 146; Total		274
Bible Class,		1
Teacher,		1
Scholars,		20
Sunday Schools,		3
Teachers,		22
Scholars,		240

Children catechised every Sunday.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL.

Alms,	$ 16 48	
Sunday Schools,	86 28	
Rectory Fund,	108 50	
Current Expenses,	1885 77	
Miscellaneous,	200 00	
		$2,297 03

EXTRA-PAROCHIAL.

Diocesan Charges,	$ 48 00	
Theological Student,	12 00	
Missions—Diocesan,	63 07	
Domestic,	111 76	
Colored People,	10 00	
Indian,	36 88	
Foreign,	27 47	
Disabled Clergy,	20 23	
Endowment of the Episcopate,	10 00	
		$339 41
Total Contributions,		$2,636 44

The Rev. Edwin C. Alcorn became Rector's Assistant on the 25th of August, 1879.

The Sewing School continued its work during the last winter.

REPORT OF REV. EDWIN C. ALCORN, Assistant Minister of St. John's Church.

In accordance with Canonical requirements, I report that I have been Assistant Minister at St. John's Church, Wilmington, and that my official acts from that time until June 2d, 1880, are recorded in the register of said Parish.

In addition to my ministerial work, I have been employed from two to three hours each day in teaching Mathematics and Latin.

St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

RT. REV. ALFRED LEE, D. D., Rector.
REV. J. W. KAYE, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—Infants, 8; Adults, 7; Total,		15
Confirmed,		14
Communicants—Removed	22	
Dropped	8	
Added	15	
Present number,		270

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

St. Andrew's, Teachers, 32	Scholars,	250
Robert Smith (colored), Teachers, 28	Scholars,	265
61		515
Marriages,		6
Funerals,		13

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

From St. Andrew's, for Diocesan Missions,	$25 00	
Cape Palmas Orph. Asylum,	75 00	
Mexico,	70 00	
Other objects,	61 21	
Robert Smith, for yellow fever sufferers and orphans at Memphis,	30 00	
		261 21

CHURCH OFFERINGS.

Missions—Diocesan,	$334 50		
Church at Ellis Grove	91 00		
Boxes for Missionaries,	145 00		
		$570 50	
Domestic, General Board,	$35 45		
Am. Ch. Missionary Society,	107 55		
Jewish Mission,	28 00		
		$171 00	
Foreign,		111 00	
			$852 50
Charitable—Communion Alms,		$169 94	
Disabled Clergy Fund,		67 12	
			$237 06
Societies—Ev. Education (scholarship $300),		400 67	
Ev. Knowledge,		31 00	
Del. State Bible,		21 50	
			$453 17
Parochial—Sunday School Library,		$50 00	
Diocesan Charges,		175 00	
			$225 00
			$2,028 94

Contributions for Mexico, amount unknown, sent through Delaware Branch of the Mexican League.

On the 12th and 13th of November, 1879, the Semi-centennial Anniversary of the opening of St. Andrew's Church was celebrated with appropriate services. A historical sermon was delivered by the Rector, and a number of former assistant ministers, as well as old parishioners from abroad, were gathered on this occasion. The large attendance and warm interest manifested by the Clergy of the Diocese were peculiarly gratifying. Through God's prospering hand may the record of the next half century be a richer recital of mercies and work for Christ.

REPORT OF REV. J. W. KAYE, Assistant Minister St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

Since my report to the Convention of last year, I have officiated as the Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, and my official acts are recorded in the register of that parish.

Report of Trinity Church, Wilmington, Delaware.

REV. WILLIAM J. FROST, D. D., LL. D., Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 3; Infants, 66;	69
Confirmed, 20 and 24,	44
Marriages,	5
Communicants,	150
Sunday School—Teachers,	30
Scholars,	312
Sewing School—Teachers,	20
Scholars,	200
Times of Divine Service,	316
Offerings,	$3,595 31

Calvary Church, Wilmington.

REV. GEORGE W. DUBOIS, Rector.

Report for six months, ending June 1, 1880.

Baptisms—Infants,	4
Communicants, present number,	120
Marriages,	3
Funerals,	6
Sunday School—Teachers,	24
Scholars,	236

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan,	$ 7 53
" Foreign,	8 45
Disabled Clergy Fund,	4 80
Help to Clergy,	5 00
Endowment Fund,	4 50
Charitable,	28 00
Diocesan Charges,	35 00
Parochial—Sunday School requisites,	66 62
" Books and Publications for Parish,	44 12
Improvement of Church edifice,	387 72
Total for six months exclusive of current expenses,	$591 77

A triplet chancel memorial window, of cathedral rolled glass, has been presented to Calvary Church, by a few of the Rector's personal friends.

Miss Mary Wagstaff, of Long Island, has given two folio Bibles, and Mrs. Alfred Wagstaff a large Prayer Book, for the chancel.

The Chancel has recently been enlarged, and the interior of the Church painted in fresco.

In March last, the balance of bequest of Lewis Gibbons, Esq., to Calvary Church, amounting to $477.73, was paid over into the hands of Mr. Chas. Cook, Treasurer of the Parish, by J. Ernest Smith, Esq., executor of estate of the late Lewis Gibbons. This sum has been invested in Wilmington City Bonds, and is held as a Church building fund.

In addition to the above named contributions, the books of the Treasurer show the following payments during the *first* six months of the Conventional year, viz.:

For Church repairs,	$75 93
Services of visiting Clergymen,	18 00
Charitable,	23 39
Total,	$117 32
Making a total of contributions for the Conventional year, exclusive of salaries and current expenses of	$709 09

In the Parish Register, I find the record of 7 infant baptisms and 9 burials, and the names of 6 Communicants, as added, between the dates of June 1 and December 1, 1879.

The Rev. Wm. G. Ware, at the close of his Rectorship in November last, presented to the Vestry, in behalf of a friend, the sum of $50, to be applied to painting and papering the Sunday School room.

Christ Church, Christiana Hundred.

REV. D. D. SMITH, Rector.

Baptisms,		11
Communicants, last report,	138	
" lost,	8	
" present number,		130
Marriages,		2
Funerals,		6
Sunday School—Teachers, male, 3, female, 10,		13
Scholars, male, 66, female, 47,		113

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Domestic Missions—Am. Ch. Miss. Soc. Coll'n,	$ 65 43	
" " " Ladies' Auxiliary	254 09	
" " " Church Treasury	10 19	
" " " Private Gifts,	30 00	
Domestic Committee,	84 00	
Colored People in South,	74 00	
Poor Churches,	333 00	
Aid of Clergy,	46 59	
Diocesan Mission Collection,	95 50	
" Church, at Collins' School House,	88 00	
Seamen's Mission,	80 00	
Total Domestic Missions,		$1,160 80
Foreign Missions—Foreign Committee,	$70 00	
Women's Union Miss. Soc.	55 00	
5 cent Collection,	160 69	
Mexican League,	72 72	
Missionary Box,	8 25	
Sunday School Collection,	27 50	
Private Gifts,	125 00	
Total Foreign Missions,		519 16
Total Missions,		$1,679 96
American Bible Society,		42 21
" Tract Society,		11 70
Evangelical Knowledge Society,		20 00
" Education Society,		45 00
Virginia Theological Seminary,		75 00
Episcopate and Convention,		85 00
Communion Alms,		80 32
Church repairs,		171 81
Sunday School,		56 00
Total contributions,		$2,267 00

Immanuel Church, New Castle.

REV. C. S. SPENCER, Rector.

Baptisms,	22
Burials,	16
Marriages,	3

Communicants—last reported,	127	
" since died,	5	
" added,	6	
" present number,		128
Sunday Schools,		2
Bible Classes,		3
Teachers,		17
Scholars,		175
Confirmed,		7

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For General Parish purposes,	$210 95
" Church work among the Indians,	12 85
" Sunday School Library,	9 46
" Society for increase of Ministry,	19 37
" Bishop White Prayer Book Society,	7 55
" Church at Monie, Maryland,	39 50
" Nashota,	26 85
" Freedmen of the South,	19 40
" Disabled Clergymen,	29 90
" Diocesan Missions,	30 73
" Parish Library,	13 60
" Domestic Missions,	91 80
" Society for Conversion of Jews,	12 85
" Foreign Missions,	50 50
Sunday School offering,	52 00
From Mite Chests,	54 22
Communion Alms,	118 00
Total,	$794 53

St. James' Church, Newport.

REV. W. D. HANSON, Rector.

Baptisms—infant,		4
Confirmed,		3
Communicants—Number last reported,	16	
" lost,	1	
" added,	3	
" present number,		18
Funerals,		1

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE CLASS.

Teachers,	4	
Scholars,	20	
Total,		24

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions,	$ 2 83
Domestic (American Church Missionary Society),	3 11
Foreign (Mexican League),	2 53
Endowment of Episcopate,	75
Disabled Clergy Fund,	1 55
Diocesan Charges,	8 00
Communion Alms,	63
Parochial,	230 74
	$250 14

St. James' Church, near Stanton.

REV. W. D. HANSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 18; Adult, 1; Total,		19
Confirmed,		7
Communicants—number last reported,	55	
removed,	2	
died,	2	
lost,	1	
added,	7	
present number,		57
Funerals,		9

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES.

Teachers,	6	
Scholars,	54	
Total,		60

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan,	$ 6 54
Domestic (through A. C. M. S.)	3 22
Foreign ($5.04 from Sunday School),	14 04
Total,	$23 80

Disabled Clergy Fund,	3 11
Diocesan Charges,	25 00
Endowment of Episcopate,	2 00
Communion Alms,	10 91
Parochial,	584 49
Total,	$649 31

St. Thomas' Church, Newark.

REV. JOSEPH A. STONE, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants,		3
Communicants—number last reported,	64	
" added,	2	
" present number,		66
Marriages		3
Funerals,		3
Sunday School—Teachers,		5
" " Scholars,		45
Public Services,		114

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan,	$50 00
" Domestic, Church Miss. Society,	61 84
" Foreign,	77 59
Total,	$189 43
Disabled Clergy Fund,	8 59
Diocesan Charges,	30 00
Evangelical Education Society,	25 00
Endowment of Episcopate,	3 13
Communion Offerings,	57 78
Sunday Collections,	96 81
Church at Ellis Grove (S. M. Curtis),	50 00
New Pipe Organ,	700 00
New Tin Roof on Church,	200 00
Debt on Church, Easter Offerings,	332 33
Total,	$1,693 07

During the past year, this parish has had very heavy pecuniary demands made upon it. But, by combined and vigorous efforts on

the part of all interested, and especially by those of the Ladies' Sewing Circle, and of friends without the parish, these demands have been promptly and cheerfully met.

On Easter Sunday, Messrs. Benjamin Caulk, F. A. Curtis, and S. M. Curtis, voluntarily and generously relinquished their several claims upon the parish, and made the whole amount an Easter Offering, thereby freeing the Church from debt.

The amount given was, by Benjamin Caulk $43.47; by F. A. Curtis $144 43, and by S. M. Curtis $144.43. Total, $352.33.

To these gentlemen this parish, in past years, has been largely indebted for generous aid.

Christ Church, Delaware City.

REV. HENRY L. PHILLIPS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 2; Adult, 1; Total,		3
Confirmed,		5
Communicants—number found here,	40	
" removed,	5	
" added,	6	
" present number,		41
Sunday School—Bible Class, 1; Teacher,		1
" " Teachers of Sunday School,		7
" " Superintendent and Librarian,		1
" " Scholars,		50 to 60
Public Services,		109

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms,	$26 20
Domestic and Foreign Missions, included in Com. Alms,	1 60
Mission to the Jews,	3 50
Sunday School offerings, General Missions,	20 85
Parish offerings (other purposes) included in Communion Alms, towards the debt on new organ,	12 70
A member of congregation for Sunday School objects,	6 76
Parochial,	446 02

Having taken charge of this Parish in January last, my report is unavoidably defective. During the 12 months vacancy between my predecessor's retirement from this field and my taking charge of it, the Church has not been benefited by the vacancy. I found some

of the sheep had strayed from the fold, and needed seeking after and bringing back.

I am glad to report increased interest in our public services. The congregation is said to be increasing in size also. There is, at any rate, a kindly feeling in this community towards our Church; and, if she is presented fairly in accordance with her principles, her future will be one of which we need not be ashamed.

St. Anne's Church, Middletown.

REV. W. G. W. LEWIS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant,	11	
" Adult,	3	
Total,		14
Confirmed.		7
Communicants—Number last reported,	75	
" removed,	1	
" added,	1	
" present number,		75
Marriages,		4
Funerals,		3
Sunday Schools and Bible Classes—Teachers,	10	
" " " " Scholars,	50	
Total,		60
Public Services,		140

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan,	$ 5 00
" Foreign,	6 50
Disabled Clergy Fund of Diocese,	6 00
Diocesan Charges,	45 00
Prayer Book, etc.,	1 50
Parochial,	1,040 00
Jewish Missions,	4 00
Total,	$1,109 00

St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.

REV. W. B. GORDON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant,		9
Confirmed,		1
Communicants—number last reported,	68	
" removed,	1	
" died,	1	
" lost,	2	
" added,	6	
" present number,		72
Marriages,		2
Funerals,		9
Sunday Schools and Bible Classes—Teachers,	13	
" " " " Scholars,	104	
Total,		117
Public Services,		188

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan,	$30 00	
Domestic,	15 50	
Foreign,	15 60	
Total,		$61 10
Disabled Clergy Fund,		7 00
Charitable,		44 60
Diocesan Charges,		45 00
Endowment of Episcopate,		5 18
Parochial,		1,324 24
Other Purposes,		12 30
Total,		$1,499 42

The $12.30 under the head "other purposes" was for the Church at Ellis Grove, Sussex County, Del.

Christ Church, Dover.

REV. LEWIS W. GIBSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 11; Adult, 3; Total,		14
Confirmed,		9
Communicants—Last reported,	70	
" added by removal,	7	
" " by first communion,	9	
" lost by removal,	3	
" present number,		83

Marriage,	1
Burials,	4
Sunday Schools—(1) Dover, Teachers,	10
" " " Scholars,	70
" " (2) Camden, Teachers,	5
" " " Scholars,	50
Public Services—Sunday, 112; other days, 111; total,	223

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions,	$ 35 72
Domestic Missions,	24 63
Charitable,	37 23
Diocesan Charges,	45 00
Endowment of Episcopate,	15 81
Disabled Clergy Fund,	13 84
Salary of Rector,	975 00
House-rent for Rector,	100 00
Sunday School,	90 04
Church expenses and repairs,	222 93
Rectory Fund,	1580 00
Total,	$3,140 20

St. Paul's Church, Georgetown.

REV. B. J. DOUGLASS, Minister in charge.

Baptisms—Infant, 5; Adult, 1; Total,	6
Confirmed at Phillips' School House,	1
" at Morgan's School House,	1
Communicants—added, 1	
" present number,	55
Marriages,	6
Burials,	8
Sunday School—Teachers,	8
" " Scholars,	50
Public Services—Sundays, 103; Week Days, 52; Total,	155

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Foreign Missions,	$ 5 00
Domestic Missions, (Church Missionary Society),	10 00
Diocesan Missions,	10 00
Missions in the County,	20 00
New York Bible and Prayer Book Society,	5 00
Missions in Mexico,	10 00
Sunday School purposes,	50 00
Offering from Sunday School for Dagsboro Church,	17 00
Disabled Clergymen,	10 00
Famine stricken Poor of Ireland,	10 00
Endowment Fund,	5 00
Diocesan Charges,	25 00
Ladies' Church Aid,	30 00
Envelope Collections,	300 00
Ordinary Parochial Expenses,	50 00
Total,	$557 00

In addition to the usual stated services at the Parish Church at Georgetown, I have been acting as Missionary under the Bishop's authority in the County, officiating at several points, where, judging from the attendance and the interest in our services there seem to be favorable openings for our Church.

St. Peter's Church, Lewes.

REV. GEORGE HALL, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult, 1; Infant, 4; Total,		5
Confirmed,		3
Communicants—number last reported,	45	
" added by first communion,	3	
" added by removal,	2	
" removed,	1	
" died,	3	
" present number,		48
Marriages,		1
Burials,		7
Sunday School—Teachers,		8
" " Scholars on the roll, about,		50

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Christmas Festival,	$25 00
Sunday School Collections,	8 00
Episcopal Fund,	15 00
Convention Fund,	5 00
Communion Alms,	21 38
Parochial,	215 00
Missions—Sunday School for Dagsboro Church,	5 00
" Domestic,	5 00
" Diocesan,	8 00
" Indian,	5 00
" Foreign,	5 00
	$293 38
Public Services—Sundays, 96; Week Days, 37; Total,	133

St. Luke's Church, Seaford.

REV. S. D. HALL, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant,		6
Confirmed,		2
Communicants—number last reported,	145	
" actually communing, number last reported,	112	
" removed,	4	
" added,	3	
" suspended,	1	
" present number	143	
" actually communing,		112
Marriages (of which colored 7),		11
Funerals,		3
Sunday Schools, 1; Teachers, 15; Scholars, 150; Total,		165
Public Services, about,		233

Public catechising, every Lord's day.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan (from the Sunday School),	$5 00	
" Domestic, " "	5 00	
" Foreign, " "	5 00	
Total,		$15 00

Diocesan Charges,	27 75
Societies—Bible and Prayer Book Society of New York (from Sunday School),	2 00
Parochial,	$101 82
Communion Alms,	26 50
Sunday School Collections,	47 13
Paid on the Church Debt,	136 81
Total contributions,	$357 01

REMARKS.—The Rector's salary was $600, now it is $400; paid on last year's salary, $424.55; balance due on last year's salary, $175.45.

Paid on salary for the present year, nothing. Laid aside, out of the Sunday School offerings, for a new Church, acknowledged by all to be much needed, $70.00.

The money paid on the debt was raised chiefly by St. Luke's Guild. The debt is now, $260.00.

The offerings of the Sunday School have been appropriated for St. Luke's Guild, for Missions, for a new Church, and principally for the incidental expenses of the Sunday School.

The offerings of the congregation, including the Communion Alms, have been appropriated by the Vestry for the incidental expenses of the parish, etc.

The Rector gratefully acknowledges many tokens of affectionate interest taken in himself, his family and the work of the Church, by individuals in the Parish.

Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Philip's, Laurel.

REV. DAVID HOWARD, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants,		2
Communicants—last number,	62	
" present number,		62
Marriages,		2
Funerals,		1
Sunday School—Teachers,		5
" Scholars,		35

OFFERINGS.

Rector's Salary,	$450 00
Current Expenses,	100 00
Sunday School,	10 00

I took charge of this Parish the first Sunday in Lent, and the report covers only the facts since that time.

Report of Rev. Geo. W. Johnson, Missionary in Sussex Co.

As your Missionary, I would respectfully report:

Services on Sunday,		130
Week day services,		32
Baptisms, adult, 1; infant, 8; total,		9
Confirmed,		4
Communicants—last report,	79	
" added,	2	
" died,	2	
" present number under my charge,		83
Marriages,		2
Burials,		3
Holy Communion,		14
Sunday School Teachers,		24
" " Scholars,		195

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan,	$ 32 00
Diocesan charges,	10 00
Other purposes,	15 00
Towards the salary of your Missionary,	90 00
Total,	$147 00

The following is a detailed account of the work:—

St. George's, Indian River.

Marriages,	2
Burials,	1
Holy Communion,	5
Public services—Sunday, 26; week day, 7; total,	33
Communicants,	22
Sunday School Teachers,	6
" " Scholars,	35

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For a window in the new Church at Ellis Grov,	5 00
Incidental expenses,	15 00
Diocesan Missions,	3 60
Diocesan charges,	5 25
Salary of Missionary,	65 00
Total,	$93 85

Chapel, Long Neck.

Public services—Sunday, 40; week day, 6; total,		46
Holy Communion,		4
Sunday School Teachers,		4
" " Scholars,		45
Communicants,	14	
" added by confirmation,	1	
" died,	1	
" present number,		14

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan charges,	$ 1 50
Diocesan Missions,	1 20
Salary of your Missionary,	25 00
Total,	$27 70

St. Mark's, Little Creek Hd.

Public services—Sunday, 25; week day, 7; total,		32
Baptisms—children,		7
Holy Communion,		4
Burial,		1
Communicants—last report,	39	
" added by confirmation	2	
Present number,		41
Sunday School Teachers,		4
" " Scholars,		35

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Episcopal Fund,	$ 2 00
Diocesan Missions,	22 00
For window in the new Church,	4 20
Total,	$28 20

St. Andrew's, Ellis Grove.

Public services—Sunday, 25; week day, 8; total,		33
Baptisms—adult, 1; infant, 1; total,		2
Sunday School Teachers,		10
" " Scholars,		80
Communicants—last year,	2	
" added by confirmation,	1	
" died,	1	
Present number,		2

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For window in the new Church,	$5 00
Diocesan Missions,	5 00
Total,	$10 00

The new Church, of which the above is the title, is now completed. I have received contributions from friends of the enterprise, to the amount of $381.15, for which I am truly thankful. I have paid all bills, to the amount of $656.33, so that there are no debts standing against the property. I have paid $275.18 more than I have received. I think it a most promising field, and that God in His own good time will make it an entire success. I would like to make mention of all donations received, could the space be allowed me. The largest came from St. Andrews', Wilmington, $116.00; Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, $88.00, Rev. D. D. Smith, Rector, who also presented me with a full communion set; Mrs. Capen, of Boston, Mass., very kindly donated Prayer Books and Hymnals, also Bible and Prayer Book for the Lecture Room, and linen for the Communion Table.

St. John's Church, Greenville.

REV. WILLIAM R. ELLIS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 3; Adult, 1; Total,		4
Confirmed,		2
Communicants—number last reported,	43	
" added,	2	
" present number,		45
Marriages,		3
Funeral,		1
Public Services—Sundays, 25; other days, 10; Total,		35
Sunday School—Teachers,		6
" " Scholars,		60

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms,	$ 8 72
Diocesan Charges,	7 00
Parochial,	10 00
	$25 72

St. Mark's Church, Millsboro.

REV. WILLIAM R. ELLIS, Rector.

Confirmed,		2
Communicants—number last reported,	6	
" added,	2	
" present number,		8
Marriages,		14
Funerals,		2
Sunday School—Teachers,		6
" " Scholars,		45
Public Services—Sundays, 21; other days, 12; Total,		33

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms,	$3 00
Diocesan Charges,	3 00
Other purposes,	5 00
Total,	$11 00

Grace Church, Baltimore Mills.

REV. WILLIAM R. ELLIS, RECTOR.

Communicants—present number,	10
Marriage,	1
Public Services—Sundays, 18; other days, 1; Total,	19

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Charges,	$2 00
Other purposes,	5 51

APPORTIONMENT

FOR DIOCESAN CHARGES UNDER CANON X.

Ascension, Claymont,	$ 35 00
Grace, Brandywine Hundred,	8 00
Calvary, " "	5 00
St. John's, Wilmington,	50 00
St. Andrew's, "	175 00
Trinity, "	125 00
Calvary, "	35 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	85 00
Immanuel, New Castle,	95 00
St. James', Newport,	7 00
St. James', Stanton,	25 00
St. Thomas', Newark,	30 00
Christ Church, Delaware City,	20 00
St. Anne's, Appoquinimink,	40 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	45 00
Christ Church, Dover,	45 00
Christ Church, Milford,	30 00
St. John Baptist, Milton,	5 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	25 00
St. Peter's, Lewes,	20 00
St. George's, Indian River,	8 00
St. Luke's, Seaford,	40 00
Christ Church, Broad Creek, St. Philip's, Laurel,	14 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	3 00
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	2 00
St. John's, Greenville,	7 00
St. Mark's, Little Creek,	2 00

Committee on the Assessment:

GREGG CHANDLER,
GEO. D. ARMSTRONG,
S. M. CURTIS.

Total.	Cur ent Expenses.		
$1185 61	Current Exp's		included in part
161 52	"	"	included.
1088 57	"	"	included.
2686 44	"	"	included.
2028 94	"	"	not included.
3595 31	"	"	included.
709 06	"	"	not included.
2267 00	"	"	not included.
891 67	"	"	not included.
250 14	"	"	included.
649 31	"	"	included.
1698 07	"	"	not included.
530 65	"	"	included.
1108 00	"	"	included.
1499 42	"	"	included.
3140 20	"	"	included.
.....			
5 00			
557 00	"	"	included.
317 38	"	"	included
357 01	"	"	included in part
579 72	"	"	included.
123 00	"	"	included.
28 20	"	"	included.
10 00			
25 72			
11 00			
7 51			
$25,351 45			

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Clergy, canonically resident,	28
Candidates for Orders and Postulants,	2
Clergymen settled in Parishes and Missionaries,	23
" having more than one charge,	6
" received,	5
" dismissed,	3
" ordained, Priest,	1
Parishes,	31
Churches and Chapels,	36
Baptisms—infant, 260; adult, 33; total,	293
Confirmed,	154
Communicants—removed,	59
" died,	17
" lost,	20
" added,	129
" present number,	1989
Marriages,	76
Funerals,	153
Sunday School—Teachers,	322
" " Scholars,	2871

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan,	$1,217 11	
Domestic,	1,789 16	
Foreign,	1,023 77	
Not specified,	25 95	
		$4,055 99
Disabled Clergy Fund,		179 72
Charitable,		871 23
Diocesan Charges,		966 20
Endowment of Episcopate,		58 41
Societies—Education, Bible, Prayer Book, &c.,		743 85
Parochial,		18,456 05
Other purposes,		20 00
Total,		$25,351 45

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention will be held in Calvary Church, Wilmington, on the first Wednesday in June, 1881.

Treasurers' Accounts.

DR. *G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.*

1879.				
June	3.	To Balance in Treasury,		$167 65
"	4.	To cash from	Ascension, Claymont,	37 00
"		" "	Grace, Brandywine Hundred,	5 00
"		" "	Calvary, " "	5 00
"		" "	Christ, Christiana Hundred,	85 00
"		" "	Immanuel, New Castle,	88 00
"		" "	St. James', Newport,	7 00
"		" "	St. James', Stanton,	25 00
"		" "	St. Thomas' Newark,	30 00
"		" "	Christ Church, Delaware City, on acct.	6 70
"		" "	St. Anne's, Appoquinimink,	45 00
"		" "	St. Peter's, Smyrna,	45 00
"		" "	Christ Church, Dover,	45 00
"		" "	Christ Church, Milford,	30 00
"		" "	St. Peter's, Lewes,	20 00
"		" "	St. George's, Indian River,	8 00
"		" "	St. Luke's Church Seaford, on acct.	28 00
"		" "	Christ, Broad Creek, & St. Philip's, Laurel,	14 00
"		" "	St. Mark's, Millsboro,	3 00
"		" "	St. John's, Greenville,	7 00
"		" "	St. Mark's, Little Creek,	2 00
"	10.	" "	Trinity, Wilmington, on acct. 1877,	50 00
Sept.		" "	Grace, Baltimore Mills,	2 00
"	25.	" "	St. John Baptist,	5 00
Oct.	7.	" "	Calvary, Wilmington,	35 00
"	22.	" "	St. Luke's, Seaford,	12 00
"		" "	St. Paul's, Georgetown,	25 00
Nov.	4.	" "	Trinity, Wilmington, for 1877,	25 00
Dec.	2.	" "	St. John's, Wilmington, on acct. 1878,	22 00
1880.				
Jan.	19.	" "	Trinity, Wilmington, on acct. 1878,	75 00
May	3.	" "	Christ Church, Christiana, 1879,	85 00
"	18.	" "	Christ Church, Dover, "	45 00
"	20.	" "	Calvary, Wilmington, "	35 00
"	21.	" "	St. John's, Wilmington, 1878,	26 00
"	24.	" "	St. Andrew's, Wilmington, 1879,	175 00
				$1320 35

Gregg Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware. CR.

1879.				
June 5.	By cash paid S. M Curtis, Secretary, for expenses on Journal, &c.,			$ 22 58
"	By cash paid Sexton of Christ Church, Dover,			5 00
" 9	"	"	Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.,	424 00
" 23.	"	"	James & Webb, printing Journal,	112 00
"	"	"	James & Webb, printing Ninth Charge of	
"			Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.,	30 00
Dec. 4.	"	"	Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.,	142 50
1880.				
May 21.	"	"	Glatts & Eckel, report,	2 50
"	"	"	Postage on report,	75
" 28.	"	"	Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.,	341 50
1880.				
June 3.	Balance in Treasury,			239 52
				$1320 35

Examined and found correct.

WM. JENKS FELL,
WM. C. BURTON.

[SUPPLEMENTARY.]

Gregg Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.

1880. DR.

June	2.	To Balance in Treasury,		$239 52
"		To cash from Grace, Brandywine Hundred,		5 00
"		" " Calvary, " "		5 00
"		" " Immanuel, New Castle,		88 00
"		" " St. Thomas', Newark,		30 00
"		" " St. James', Stanton,		25 00
"		" " St. James', Newport,		7 00
"		" " Christ, Delaware City, for 1878,		13 30
"		" " St. Anne's, Appoquinimink,		45 00
"		" " St. Peter's, Smyrna,		45 00
"		" " Ascension, Claymont,		32 00
"		" " St. Paul's, Georgetown, on acct.,		14 00
"		" " St. Peter's, Lewes,		11 00
"		" " St. Luke's, Seaford, on acct.		27 75
"		" " St. Mark's, Millsboro,		3 00
"		" " Christ, Broad Creek, & St. Philip's, Laurel,		14 00
"		" " St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred,		2 00
"		" " St. John's Church, Greenville,		7 00
"		" " St. George's, Indian River,		8 00
"		" " Grace, Baltimore Mills,		2 00
"	7.	" " Trinity Church, Wilmington, for 1878,		75 00

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.

1880. CR.

June	3.	By Cash paid Sexton of St. Philip's Church, Laurel,		$ 5 00
"	5.	" " " Geo. H. Bates, Secretary, for expenses on Journals, etc.,		15 46
"	8.	" " " Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.,		356 00

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in Account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

DISABLED CLERGY FUND.

DR.

1879		
June 2.	To Cash balance in Bank,	$ 831 14
" 7.	" Collection, Ascension Church, Claymont,	4 00
" 10.	" Cash from party unknown,	14 00
" 19.	" Collection, St. Philip's Church, Laurel,	3 58
Oct. 2.	" 6 mos. Interest on Philadelphia & Erie R. R. Bond,	30 00
Nov. 3.	" Interest on City Loan, 1½ years as follows: May, 1878, $30; May, 1879, $30; Nov. 1879, $30,	90 00
Dec. 1.	" Collection Immanuel Church, New Castle,	11 65
" 29.	" " " " for Rev. K. J. S.,	18 25
" 30.	" " St. Anne's Church, Middletown,	6 00
" 31.	" " Christ Church, Dover,	13 84
1880.		
Jan. 5.	" " Calvary Church, Wilmington,	4 80
" 6.	" " St. Thomas' Church, Newark,	8 59
" 8.	" " St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,	10 00
" 10.	" " St. James' Church, Stanton,	3 11
Mar. 23.	" " St. James' Church, Newport,	1 55
" 30.	" " St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,	7 00
Apr. 5.	" 6 mos. Interest on $400, City Loan,	12 00
" 8.	" Collection, St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington,	67 12
"	" 6 mos. Interest on Philadelphia & Erie R. R. Bond,	30 00
	Total,	$1166 63
	To Cash balance in Bank,	$393 09

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in Account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

DISABLED CLERGY FUND.

		CR.
1879.		
July 19.	By Cash paid Rev. K. J. Stewart,	$ 50 00
" 21.	" " Credited to Endowment Fund,	52 26
Nov. 24.	" " paid Rev. K. J. Stewart,	50 00
Dec. 13.	" " " R. R. Robinson & Co., for $200 Wilmington City 6 per cent. Loan, at $110, and 72 days Int,	222 40
" 19.	By Cash loaned Endowment Fund, amount needed to buy City Loan,	118 63
" 29.	" Cash paid, Rev. K. J. Stewart,	18 25
" 30.	" " " R. R. Robinson & Co., for $200 Wilmington City 6 per cent. Loan; $50 at par, $150 at 108 and 90 days Interest,	215 00
" 31.	By Cash paid Rev. K. J. Stewart,	10 00
1880.		
Jan. 23.	" " " Rev. K. J. Stewart,	10 00
Mar. 30.	" " " Rev. K. J. Stewart,	7 00
May 18.	" " " Rev. K. J. Stewart,	20 00
	By Cash in Bank,	393 09
	Total,	$1166 63

INVESTMENTS.

Philadelphia & Erie R. R. 6 per cent. 1st Mortgage Bond, guaranteed by Pennsylvania R. R. Co.,	$1,000 00
Wilmington City Loan, 6 per cent.,	1,400 00
Cash in Bank,	393 09
	$2,793 09

George D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

DR.

1879.			
June 2.	To Cash Balance in Bank,		$156 24
" 26.	" " Collection Trinity Church, Wilmington,		8 48
July 7.	" " " St. James' Church, Stanton,		2 00
" 8.	" " " St. Philip's Chapel, Laurel,		2 14
"	" " " St. Thomas', Newark,		3 12
" 21.	" " Wrongly credited to Disabled Clergy Fund,		52 26
" 25.	" " Collection St. John's Church, Wilmington,		10 00
" 30.	" " " Christ Church, Dover,		15 81
Sept. 23.	" 6 mos. interest, J. Morrow, to Sept. 1st,		150 00
Oct. 2.	" 6 mos. interest, Philad'a and Erie R. R. Bonds,		240 00
"	" Cash from Bishop Lee, am't paid Fidelity Trust Co., safe keeping of Bonds,		8 00
" 28.	" Cash, am't received for 12 shares North Pacific R. R. Co. stock, sold at $60 00 per share,	$720 00	
"	Less Commission paid E., J. & Co.,	3 00	
			717 00
Nov. 28.	" Cash Christ Church, Delaware City,		1 32
Dec. 3.	" St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,		5 00
" 19.	" *Amount borrowed from Disabled Clergy Fund,		118 63
1880.			
Mar. 23.	" St. James Church, Newport,		75
" 29.	" 6 mos. interest, J. Morrow, to March 1,		150 00
April 8.	" 6 " " Phila. and Erie R. R. Bonds,		240 00
	Total,		$1880 75
	To Cash balance in Bank,		75

*Needed to complete the purchase of City Loan.

George D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

		CR.
1879.		
Oct. 2.	By Cash paid Rt. Rev. A. Lee, ...	$ 390 00
Dec. 19.	" " " Elliott, Johnson & Co., for $1000 Wilmington City 6 per cent. Loan, at 110, ...	1100 00
1880.		
April 8.	" " paid Rt. Rev. A. Lee, ...	390 00
"	" Cash in Bank, ...	75
	Total, ...	$1880 75

INVESTMENTS.

Philadelphia and Erie R. R. Co., 6 per cent. First Mortgage Bonds, guaranteed by Penn'a R. R. Co., . . .	$8,000
Bond and Mortgage, James Morrow, ...	5,000
Wilmington City Loan, 6 per cent.	1,000
Cash in Bank, ...	75
	$14,000 75

FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORT.

TO THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE:

Report of . . . . . **Church.**

For the year ending June 1, 18 . .

REV. . . . . Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, ; Adult, ; Total, ...
Confirmed, ...
Communicants—Number last reported, ...
Removed, ; Died, ; Lost, ; Added, . . .
Present Number, ...
Marriages, ...
Funerals, ...
Sunday Schools & Bible Classes—Teachers,
Scholars,
Public Services, ...

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan, ; Domestic, ; . . . .
Foreign, ; Total, ...
Disabled Clergy Fund of Diocese, ...
Charitable, ...
Diocesan Charges, ...
Societies—Education, ; Bible, ; Prayer Book, &c. ;
Endowment of Episcopate, ...
Parochial, ...
Other Purposes, ...
Total, ...

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LIST

OF ALL THE

Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church,

Canonically resident in the Diocese of Delaware.

JUNE 1, 1881.

*Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

Rev. Edwin C. Alcorn, Deacon.

*Rev. John Baker Clemson, D. D., Rector Emeritus of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont

*Rev. George W. DuBois, D. D., Rector of Calvary Church, Wilmington.

*Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Georgetown. and Missionary in Sussex Co.

*Rev. William R. Ellis, Rector of St. John's Church, Greenville, St. Mark's, Millsboro, and Grace Church, Baltimore Mills P. O. Millsboro.

Rev. William J. Frost, D. D.

*Rev. Lewis W. Gibson, Rector of Christ Church, Dover.

*Rev. William B. Gordon, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.

*Rev. George Hall, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Lewes.

*Rev. William D. Hanson, Rector of St James' Church, Stanton, and St. James', Newport. P. O., Faulkland

*Rev. David Howard, Rector of Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Philip's, Laurel.

*Rev. William McCaulley Jefferis, Professor in Delaware College, and Rector of Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred. P. O., Newark.

*Rev. George W. Johnson, Rector of St. George's Church, Indian River, St. Mark's, Little Creek. and Missionary. P. O ,Georgetown.

*Rev. John W. Kaye, Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

*Rev. Wm. G. W. Lewis, Rector of St. Anne's Church, Appoquinimink. P. O. Middletown.

*Rev. T. Gardiner Littell, Rector of St. John's Church, Wilmington.

Rev. Charles E. Milnor.

Rev. John Linn McKim, residing at Georgetown.

*Rev. R. Heber Murphy, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont.

Rev. William A. Newbold, Secretary of the American Church Missionary Society. P. O., New York.

Rev. Henry L. Phillips.

*Rev. Dudley D. Smith, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred. P. O. Wilmington.

*Rev. Charles S. Spencer, Rector of Immanuel Church, New Castle.

*Rev. Kensey Johns Stewart, D. D.

*Rev. Joseph A. Stone, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Newark.

Rev. Elias Weil, residing at Germantown, Pennsylvania.

ALFRED LEE,

Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Delaware.

* Designates those entitled to seats in this Convention.

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES,

Certificates of whose election by their respective Churches were presented and approved.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY.

ASCENSION CHURCH, *Claymont.*—Wm. Cloud.
GRACE CHURCH, *Brandywine Hd.*—Wm. P. Cresson, Louis Smith.
CALVARY CHURCH, *Brandywine Hd.*—David Shaw, B. Paschall Dixon.
ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, *Wilmington.*—Gregg Chandler, George H. Bates.
TRINITY CHURCH, *Wilmington.*—Horace Burr, M. D., Geo. D. Armstrong.
CALVARY CHURCH, *Wilmington*, Alfred D. Poole, Charles Cook.
ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, *Wilmington.*—Edward G. Bradford, jr., A. H. Harvey.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Christiana Hd.*—Charles Green, William Luke.
IMMANUEL CHURCH, *New Castle.*—George B. Rodney, Thomas Holcomb.
ST. JAMES' CHURCH, *Stanton.*—Thomas Bracken, Alouzo Newlin.
ST. JAMES' CHURCH, *Newport.*—Wm. Jenks Fell, J. Poulson Armstrong.
ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, *Newark.*—S. M. Curtis, George W. Colmery.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Delaware City.*—Joseph S. Dunlap, Charles G. Ash.
ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, *Appoquinimink.*—H. N. Willitts, H. A. Nowland.

KENT COUNTY.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, *Smyrna.*—Dr. Wm. Cummins, Jas. J. Turner.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Dover.*—Dr. Henry Ridgely, John P. Saulsbury.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Milford*,—R. Watson, M. D, Henry Rollo.

SUSSEX COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, *Georgetown.*—Edwin R. Paynter, J. W. Messick, M. D.
ST. PETER'S CHURCH, *Lewes.*—*Wm. P. Orr, *Dr. Hiram Burton.
ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, *Seaford.*—Dr. Hugh Martin, Edward L. Martin.
ST. MARK'S CHURCH, *Millsboro.*—Henry C. Frame, Joseph C. Ellis.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Broad Creek* and ST. PHILIP'S *Laurel.*— } Edw. Fowler, M.D., B. J. Moore.
ST. JOHN BAPTIST, *Milton.*—James Ponder, *N. D. Welch.
ST. MARK'S CHURCH, *Little Creek*—*George W. C. Ellis, *John T. Phillips.
ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, *Greenville.*—*Joseph S. Jones, *Cyrus Ward.
ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, *Indian River.*—*Wm. C. Burton, Erasmus M. Lingo.
GRACE CHURCH, *Baltimore Mills.*—Not represented.

*Absent.

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OF THE

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

CALVARY CHURCH, WILMINGTON, JUNE 1st, 1881.

This being the day appointed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware, for the meeting of the Annual Convention, the Bishop of the Diocese and a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled at nine o'clock in the morning, in Calvary Church, Wilmington.

The Convention was called to order by the Bishop. The Secretary of the last Convention, by direction of the Bishop, proceeded to call the names of the Clergy of the Diocese entitled to seats, when the following answered to their names and took their seats, viz :

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.	Rev. David Howard,
Rev. J. B. Clemson, D. D.	" Wm. McCaulley Jefferis,
" Geo. W. DuBois, D. D.	" John W. Kaye,
" B. J. Douglass,	" Wm. G. W. Lewis,
" Wm. R. Ellis,	" T. Gardiner Littell,
" Rev. L. W. Gibson,	" R. H. Murphy,
" Wm. B. Gordon,	" D. D. Smith,
" Wm. D. Hanson,	" J. A. Stone:

The Bishop appointed the Rev. Mr. Douglass, Dr. Ridgely and Dr. Cummins, a committee to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates.

Of the Lay Delegates reported by the committee as duly elected, the following answered to their names and took their seats, viz :

William Cloud,	J. Poulson Armstrong,
Louis Smith,	S. M. Curtis,
Gregg Chandler,	Geo. W. Colmery,
Geo. H. Bates,	Joseph S. Dunlap,
Horace Burr, M. D.	Wm. Cummins, M. D.
Geo D. Armstrong,	James J. Turner,
Charles Cook,	Henry Ridgely, M. D.
Edward G. Bradford, Jr.,	John P. Saulsbury,
Amor H. Harvey,	Henry Rolle,
Charles Green,	Edwin R. Paynter,
William Luke,	Henry C. Frame,
Thomas Holcomb,	Joseph C. Ellis,
Thomas Brackin,	James Ponder
Alonzo Newlin,	Erasmus M. Lingo.

The Bishop announced the next business in order to be the election of Secretary.

The Rev. Mr. Hanson nominated Mr. S. M. Curtis, and there being no other nomination, by unanimous consent, a ballot was cast by the Bishop for Mr. Curtis; and no other votes having been cast, the Bishop announced as the result of the ballot that Mr. Curtis had been duly elected, and the Convention was organized for business.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the Secretary was authorized to appoint an assistant.

The Secretary announced that he had appointed Mr. George H. Bates.

On motion of Dr. Cummins, the Rules of Order of the last Convention were adopted as the Rules of Order of the present session.

By direction of the Bishop, the Rules of Order were read by the Secretary, viz :

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, nor shall afterward stand unless to address the chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House

6 If a question in debate contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

7. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the house, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered as before the House unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing, when required.

10. When any question is before the House, it shall be determined on before any thing new is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the the President leaves the Chair.

13. The Journals of the Convention shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and a copy sent to each member of the Convention.

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Edward G. Bradford, Jr.,	John P. Saulsbury,
Amor H. Harvey,	Henry Rolle,
Charles Green,	Edwin R. Paynter,
William Luke,	Henry C. Frame,
Thomas Holcomb,	Joseph C. Ellis,
Thomas Brackin,	James Ponder
Alonzo Newlin,	Erasmus M. Lingo.

The Bishop announced the next business in order to be the election of Secretary.

The Rev. Mr. Hanson nominated Mr. S. M. Curtis, and there being no other nomination, by unanimous consent, a ballot was cast by the Bishop for Mr. Curtis; and no other votes having been cast, the Bishop announced as the result of the ballot that Mr. Curtis had been duly elected, and the Convention was organized for business.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the Secretary was authorized to appoint an assistant.

The Secretary announced that he had appointed Mr. George H. Bates.

On motion of Dr. Cummins, the Rules of Order of the last Convention were adopted as the Rules of Order of the present session.

By direction of the Bishop, the Rules of Order were read by the Secretary, viz :

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, nor shall afterward stand unless to address the chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House

6. If a question in debate contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

7. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the house, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered as before the House unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing, when required.

10. When any question is before the House, it shall be determined on before any thing new is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the the President leaves the Chair.

13. The Journals of the Convention shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and a copy sent to each member of the Convention.

14. The Charge or Sermon, when delivered by the Bishop before the Convention, shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and one copy sent to each Clergyman, and ten copies to each Vestry in the diocese.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Gordon, it was

Resolved, That clergymen of this Diocese not entitled to seats, clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and candidates for Holy Orders, who may be present, be invited to attend the sittings of the Convention.

Under this resolution were present, the Rev. George A. Latimer of the Diocese of Pa, the Rev. R. H. McKim, D. D. of the Diocese of New York, Rev. Robert T. Roache, D. D. of the Diocese of New Jersey, and the Rev. E. C. Alcorn, of the Diocese of Delaware.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Littell, it was

Resolved, That this Convention will meet daily at 9 o'clock, A. M. to transact business; take a recess from 1 to 3 o'clock and from 6 to 8 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Chandler presented his account as the Treasurer of the Convention, and the Bishop appointed Messrs. James Ponder, and J. Poulson Armstrong a committee to audit the same.

Rev. Mr. Stone presented and read an abstract of the proceedings of the Standing Committee for the past year.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE.

NEWARK, DEL., June 1st, 1881.

The Standing Committee beg leave to report the following abstract of their proceedings during the past year.

1. The Committee have held, during the year, six meetings, as follows: A regular meeting was held at Wilmington, Sept. 9th, 1880. The Committee met according to Canon 5, to aid the Bishop in preparing his Triennial Report to the General Convention, on the "State of the Church."

2. A special meeting, called at the request of the Bishop of the Diocese, was held at Wilmington, Dec. 13th, 1880. This meeting was called at the request of the Bishop, acting under the provisions of Canon 4, Title II, in order to avail himself of the "advice and consent of the Standing Committee," in the matter of certain serious differences existing between the Rector and the Vestry of Trinity Parish, Wilmington.

After a patient, careful and full consideration of the several written statements made by the Rector, on the one side, and the Vestry on the other, in relation to said differences, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted by the committee, *viz.*

1. *Resolved*, That it is the judgment of the Standing Committee, that the Pastoral connection between the Rector, Wm. J. Frost, D. D., and the Parish of Trinity Church, Wilmington, shall cease and terminate, on, or before Easter Day of 1881.

2. *Resolved*, That it is the judgment of the Standing Committee, that the Vestry of Trinity Parish pay to Wm. J. Frost, D. D., his salary up to the close of the present year of his incumbency, in June 1881.

3. Special meeting, held at New Castle, March 7th, 1881. This meeting was called by the Bishop of the Diocese, to consult with the Standing Committee, in reference to certain differences existing between the Rector, the Rev. Henry L. Phillips, and the Vestry and Congregation of Christ Church, Delaware City. At this meeting of the Committee, three members of the Vestry of Christ Church came before them, and made full and explicit statements on the part of the Parish, and the Rev. Dr. K. J. Stewart also came before the Committee, and made full and explicit statements on behalf of the Rector of said Church.

The Standing Committee after giving the whole matter a patient hearing, and after careful consultation, did not take any formal action or vote, but in the interests of peace and harmony, directed their Secretary to make to the Vestry of Christ Church, the following proposition, as a matter of friendly advice and suggestion from them as individual members, *viz*: "That the Vestry of Christ Church reconsider and withdraw all their action, formal or informal, regular or irregular, in reference to the resignation of the Rector of the Parish." At the same time, and for the same reasons, the Secretary was directed to make to the Rector of the Parish, the following proposition as a matter of suggestion and advice, *viz*: That the Rev. Henry L. Phillips,

offer, at an early day, his resignation of the Rectorship of Christ Church, Delaware City.

4. An adjourned meeting was held, by the Committee, at Wilmington, March 21st, 1881.

This meeting was held for the purpose of taking further action in relation to the differences existing between the Rector and Parish of Christ Church, Delaware City. After hearing additional statements from the Vestry and congregation of Christ Church read, and after very carefully considering the same, the Committee passed an appropriate preamble, and the following resolutions, acting under Canon 4, Title II, of the Digest of the Canons of the Church.

1. *Resolved,* That it is the judgment of the Standing Committee, that the Pastoral connection between the Rector and the Parish of Christ Church shall cease and terminate, on Easter Day, April 17th, 1881.

2. *Resolved,* That it is the judgment of the Standing Committee, that the salary of the Rector, the Rev. Henry L. Phillips, be paid in full, up to Easter Day, he (the Rector) to account for all moneys received for salary, since the *adoption of the "Envelope System."*

WILMINGTON, April 30th, 1881.

5. A special meeting, called at the request of the Bishop, for mutual consultation on matters pertaining to the interests of Church; but the Committee adjourned, without taking any formal action.

WILMINGTON, May 16th, 1881.

6. Special meeting of the Committee called at the request of the Bishop to call their attention to a paper, signed and sent by persons in Delaware City to the Rt. Rev. B. B. Smith, D. D., Presiding Bishop of the Church, and purporting to be a presentment of the Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., Bishop of this Diocese. After careful consideration of the matter, the Standing Committee passed an appropriate RESOLUTION, and directed the same to be sent to the presiding Bishop.

ATTEST, JOSEPH A. STONE,
Secretary of Standing Committee.

The Rev. Mr. Hanson offered the following preamble and resolutions, and on his motion they were made the order of the day, immediately after the reading of the Bishop's address.

WHEREAS the regular support and endowment of the Episcopate has for many years received attention from this Convention, and been dear to the hearts of many members of the Church in the diocese, and

WHEREAS the Convention of 1880 apportioned among the several parishes the sum of $30,000 in pursuance of a resolution of the Convention of 1875, and

WHEREAS a considerable sum had previously been contributed by parishes and individuals upon the express condition that such contributions be credited to the parishes in which the respective donors worshipped, as a payment on account of the said sum so to be apportioned, and

WHEREAS it is very desirable that a regular support be given to our beloved Bishop, and that the endowment of the Episcopate be soon completed; therefore, be it

1. *Resolved*, that the salary of the Bishop of the Diocese be fixed at fifteen hundred dollars per annum, which shall be paid to him by the "Treasurer of the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Delaware," in monthly installments of $125.

2. *Resolved*, that the treasurer of the "Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the diocese of Delaware," is hereby instructed to annually append to his report to the Convention a list of all the parishes, stating the amount apportioned to each, the amount paid by each, the excess or deficiency of payments by each, and the amount of assessment upon each, computed in the manner hereinafter provided.

3. *Resolved*, that any parish which has or may hereafter contribute, either of itself or by its members, for the endowment of the Episcopate, the full amount apportioned to it under the aforenamed resolution, shall thereafter be free from any assessment for the support of the Episcopate until such time as by resolution of the Convention $30,000 shall have been declared to be insufficient as an Episcopal Endowment Fund. Any parish which has or may hereafter contribute in the manner aforesaid an amount in excess of the sum now apportioned to it, such excess shall remain as a credit to such parishes, on account of any future apportionment.

4. *Resolved*, that the committee provided for in Canon X, be instructed to annually assess each parish, as its portion for the support of the Episcopate, a sum equal to 5 per cent. on the *balance* of its apportionment *unpaid*; parishes that have paid their apportionment in full, or hereafter when they have done so, shall be exempt from assessment by said committee for the Episcopal fund.

5. *Resolved*, that the future assessments under Canon X, for the support of the Episcopate, be paid to the treasurer of the "Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the diocese of Dela-

magnitude of our work opens out in vast proportions, and the solemn grandeur of our charge. If we are faithful to our great trust, steadfast in the maintenance of the truth as it is in Jesus, alive to the stirring calls made upon us by the Providence of God, zealous of good works, and aim to keep abreast of the progress of our age and land, no limits can be assigned to the salutary and beneficent influences our church may exert. Wide is our field of operation, rich our resources, priceless our opportunity. How much do we stand in need of the wisdom that is from above, the spirit of power and of love and of a sound mind! There were not wanting indications at the recent assemblage, gathered from all parts of our spreading land, that the Church is awaking to a truer and larger conception of her position and responsibilities.

The Convention certainly went beyond any that had preceded it in the missionary spirit by which it was animated. The joint meeting of the two houses as the Board of Missions greatly promoted this spirit, and justified the anticipations of those who had advocated this measure. The church seemed indeed to be engaged in her appointed work, while her representatives were thus consulting how most effectually to carry out her Savior's injunction to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. And the meeting face to face of those who are actively engaged in the work at home and abroad, and the appeals of our missionary bishops and clergy, did much to enkindle a warmer flame of zeal and devotion.

Several measures were proposed at this Convention, which I present either for practical action or mature consideration, as may seem most advisable.

One was a plan adopted with good deal of enthusiasm for a system of weekly or monthly subscriptions to foreign and domestic missions to be gathered by collectors in the several parishes, the names of subscribers and respective amounts to be reported to the secretaries of the Board and published. While hoping that this plan will accomplish all that its advocates anticipate, I was not entirely convinced by the arguments that were urged with much zeal and eloquence. There is so great diversity in the circumstances of our parishes that the same method may succeed in one and fail in another, and the difficulty of obtaining collectors who will give time and labor regularly and perseveringly to such efforts has been seriously felt by myself when I have attempted anything of this kind.

The foreign and domestic operations of our General Board, moreover, important as they are, are only two among a number of similar claims. Diocesan missions, theological education, special calls and

appeals, parochial, diocesan, domestic, foreign, all press their urgent demands. Each missionary bishop calls the attention of the church to his own field of labor, and colleges, scholarships, hospitals, solicit the liberal giver. It cannot be intended that any of these excellent objects shall be thrust aside by this plan of systematic subscriptions to the two specially named, and yet I can hardly see how justice is to be done to all.

I confess myself, dear brethren, to have been somewhat perplexed by conflicting considerations, and did not, therefore, feel ready to comply with the request to issue a pastoral letter recommending the immediate adoption of the plan. I think a large discretion should be left to rectors of parishes as to the most effectual method of drawing out the liberality of their people, and shall be glad to learn that the plan recommended by the Board of Missions has proved fully successful.

Another measure which had the sanction of the General Convention was the resolve to raise a fund of $1,000,000 to aid in building churches. Some of the larger bodies of Christians have established such funds and find them, I believe, operating successfully. According to our past standard, there has undoubtedly been a much larger sum annually given, to the erection of churches in weak parishes and missionary stations, than the income of $1,000,000 at the present rate of interest, and the circumstances of particular enterprises stimulate zeal and liberality. A considerable donation to the proposed fund would, I suppose, relieve a church from the recurrence of such applications as have been heretofore frequent. Whether this would prove an advantage remains to be seen. Deferring to the wisdom of the General Convention, I commend to you this important project.

While there is room for difference of opinion respecting the wisdom of undertaking to provide by large investments for the erection of houses of worship, there can be no doubt of the desirableness of having adequate permanent provision made for infirm and superannuated clergymen, and for the widows and orphans of deceased clergymen. The operations for nine years past of the Board created for this object by the General Convention has made it clear that there exists in the Church a large degree of destitution and suffering, little suspected, and unrelieved by the diocesan arrangements. The resources at the disposal of this Board have hitherto been very limited, being largely derived from the royalty paid by publishers of the Hymnal. Probably no equal amount has done more good during this period. This matter seemed to the Bishops so urgent that they asked permission for a deputation of their House to lay the subject before the House of clerical and

lay deputies, by whom it was cordially welcomed and referred to a committee. This committee has issued an appeal to the church at large, strongly commending the wants of this Board to the efficient and liberal sympathy of our people. In this appeal it was suggested that a proportion of the communion alms, from 1 to 10 per cent. be transmitted by parishes to the treasurer of the general fund. This seems to be a very simple expedient and one which if generally adopted would materially help this charitable work. At the same time such an object should have a permanent endowment to fall back upon, and one-tenth of the amount asked for the church-building fund would give it a solid foundation. The administration of this trust for nine years, during which time hundreds of cases have been relieved and important business negotiations conducted with publishing firms, has been wholly gratuitous.

In this connection I beg leave to suggest that this Convention appoint a committee to attend to making collections for and disbursing the income of our diocesan fund of the same nature. The custody of investments has been confided to the trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the diocese.

A measure of very great interest was the appointment of a committee to consider and report to the next General Convention whether the changed conditions of our national life do not demand certain alterations in the Book of Common Prayer, in the direction of Liturgical enrichment and greater flexibility of use. The report of the large and able committee created under this resolution will be looked for with much anxiety. Hitherto, conservative feelings, affectionate veneration for our time-honored and beautiful formularies, and unwillingness to enter upon a work of which the end could not be seen, have been too strong and deep-rooted to allow the acceptance of such a proposal. It seemed, however, when brought forward at the last Convention, to meet with remarkable favor. At any rate, the Church is willing to consider the the subject. I need not say that nothing in the way of doctrinal change or serious innovation is contemplated. One point of this action strikes me as an exceptionable and unnecessary, and that is the remoulding of "The Ratification of the Book of Common Prayer," which has come next after the title page since 1790. So venerable a landmark might be left undisturbed.

As a matter of general interest it is cause for gratitude that a new movement to arrest the progress of intemperance, with its attendant evils, has been started in the Church of England with marked approval and success. Our Diocesan Convention has heretofore expressed

itself strongly upon this subject. In 1867 the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That in view of the wide-spread and increasing influences of intemperance in our country, which is one of the greatest evils of the day, destructive of morality and religion, and threatening alike the integrity of the Church and State, this Convention does hereby respectfully and earnestly recommend to the parish clergymen of this diocese, to preach at least one sermon annually on the subject; and that the members and friends of the Church are hereby earnestly and affectionately requested to use their best efforts, as well by precept as by example, to restrain this great evil and promote the cause of temperance in all things.

It can scarce be doubted that efforts in this direction have often failed to enlist the active co-operation of sober men on account of the denunciatory and fanatical spirit which has been manifested. The association to which I refer embraces persons who may differ in some points as to the measures to be adopted and the pledges required, and yet agree in their wishes to promote the common object. I cordially approve of the Convention giving its support and sanction to this encouraging movement.

CLERICAL CHANGES.

The Rev. Edwin C. Alcorn resigned the office of assistant minister of St. John's Church, Wilmington, Sept. 28, 1880.

The Rev. Samuel D. Hall resigned the rectorship of St. Luke's Church, Seaford, November 11th, 1880, and removed to the diocese of Easton. His letter dimissory was accepted December 17th, 1880. The Rev. William M. Jefferis resigned the Rectorship of Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred, on Easter last.

Two rectorships have been terminated by the action of the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese.

The sentiment prevailing in our church has been always strongly in favor of permanent pastoral relations, and the tendency to frequent changes has been often a subject of regret in the conventional addresses of our bishops. The bond between pastor and people is too sacred to be lightly and capriciously ruptured. Years of affectionate confidential intercourse greatly endear the shepherd and the flock to each other, and give the faithful minister an influence that is otherwise unattainable. But the Church, from an early period, has recognized that valid reasons may exist for sundering the connection, and where the parties cannot agree upon such a step, has provided for doing this by authority. Without a minister being liable to presentment for any ca-

nonical offence, his usefulness in a particular parish may be so much impaired that his remaining can only be disastrous to the welfare of the church. Hence a canon for this purpose was enacted in 1804, and since then has been several times reviewed and remodeled. In 1877 when it was proposed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies to repeal such legislation, the House of Bishops dissented, for the reason that such repeal would remove from our code provisions which have formed a part of it for more than 70 years.

The canon was put in its present shape in 1877. Canon 4 of Title II, "Of differences between ministers and their congregations, and of the dissolution of a pastoral connection." It provides that in case of urgent reasons occasioning a wish in a rector or minister, or in the parish committed to his charge, to bring about a dissolution of all pastoral relation, and the parties not being agreed in respect thereto, notice of such desire and disagreement may be given by either party to the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese in writing, and, in case of the difference not being satisfactorily settled by the judgment of the Bishop alone, or which he may decline to consider without counsel, the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the diocese, shall be the ultimate arbiter and judge. Refusal to accept and comply with such arbitration and judgment shall subject the minister so refusing to inhibition by the Bishop from all ministerial offices and functions within the diocese, and such refusal on the part of a parish shall disqualify it for representation in the convention of the diocese.

This canon gives a large discretion to the Bishop and Standing Committee, confiding to them the examination and decision of the whole matter, as to a disinterested and impartial board of arbitration. But nothing like a trial for offence or misconduct is involved in their proceeding. The simple question before them is, do the best interests of the Church and the permanent welfare of the parish require the pastoral connection to be dissolved or not?

Having been notified in May, 1880, by the vestry of Christ Church, Delaware City, of their desire for severance of the pastoral connection of the parish with the rector, the Rev. Henry L. Phillips, I applied to the Standing Committee for their counsel and advice.

The committee, at a meeting held May 26, 1880, considered and declared that the whole matter of conducting the services of the church was under the control of the rector. They recommended the withdrawal of the letter of the vestry asking for Mr. Phillips' resignation, and that he be retained in the rectorship; they noticed with regret the dispute which had arisen, and the too great readiness to set forth faults, and

ascribe wrong motives on both sides, and they earnestly recommended them to forget the past, to cultivate harmony, and to practice the dictates of Christian charity one toward another.

In a letter dated June 8, 1880, conveying my judgment to the Rev. Mr. Phillips, in accordance with the advice of the Standing Committee, I wrote as follows:

"While justifiying your claims to direct the public services of the church, and sympathizing with your view of rubrical requirements, I must say in candor that some of your reflections upon individuals betray undue asperity. In the excitement consequent upon what seemed an infringement of your rights you may have given way to angry irritation, and spoken in a tone contemptuous and stinging. I need not remind you how closely the temper and language of a minister are scrutinized, nor how necessary it is to avoid the appearance of unholy passion. If in this respect you have erred, it would be, in my judgment, a manly and Christian act to acknowledge the fault I would, especially, caution you against expressions of triumph, as if you had gained a victory over your opponents. And remember, that if you are to continue the shepherd of that flock, it is most desirable for the welfare of the Church and your own peace and usefulness, that oil be poured upon the troubled waters, and that brothers in the Church of Christ dwell together in unity."

Such incidents were brought to my knowledge, and the condition of the parish was so unsatisfactory, that on the 8th of December I wrote to Mr. Phillips as follows:

"WILMINGTON, DEC. 8, 1880.

Rev. H. L. Phillips:

MY DEAR SIR:—It was my hope after the decision of the question in dispute between the vestry of Christ Church, Delaware City, and yourself, that the excited feeling would gradually subside and the parish be so far harmonized as to give prospect of better times. In this hope I grieve to say I have been much disappointed. The condition of the parish, from what I learn, is in no degree improved, and the continuance of such discord, where the church is weak, endangers not only its prosperity but its life. In conveying to you the resolutions of the Standing Committee of the Diocese and my action thereupon, I endeavored to impress upon you, in the most emphatic manner, the indispensable necessity of pursuing the most prudent and conciliatory course, and of abstaining from any asperity or expression of triumph over those who had opposed you. The tone of your letters to me and the way in which you spoke of individuals made me exceedingly apprehensive that you might in this way prevent the healing of the breach.

This apprehension proves to have been well-founded. I have been led to the conclusion that your disposition is not suited to the circumstances in which you are now placed, and that it would be for your own peace of mind and usefulness, as well as for the interests of the parish, that you should seek another place for the exercise of your ministry. I have wished to act with the utmost consideration for your feelings in this matter, but I am bound to have regard also to the welfare of that portion of the field committed to my spiritual oversight.

Now I think if you are willing to come into an arrangement for this purpose it may be effected with due regard to your feelings and interests. If, for instance, you will offer your resignation to take effect April 1st, 1881, I will use my influence to obtain from the vestry the payment of your salary, at the original rate, up to that date. This would give you a reasonable space of time in which to look around for another situation. The removal would be your own act and the parting would take place without further exasperation.

As a friend, as well as your Bishop, I urge your compliance with this proposal."

To this letter I received no answer.

In February I received from a committee of the vestry a paper signed by members and pewholders of Christ Church, Delaware City, stating their belief that the best interests of the church would be promoted by dissolving the relation now existing between the rector and the people.

To this paper were affixed the names of the Wardens and all the vestrymen, of 24 communicants, the whole number including minors being 41, and of 24 pewholders and annual subscribers, the signers being all adults.

This application led to renewed action under Canon 4, Title 2, upon grounds entirely distinct from that of May, 1880. At my request the Standing Committee met for consideration of this new matter on the 7th of March, 1881, and heard the parties, the vestry and congregation being represented by a committee of three vestrymen, and the Rev. H. L. Phillips by the Rev. K. J. Stewart, claiming to be his counsel. After the hearing it seemed very desirable to the Standing Committee that the Rev. Mr. Phillips should be induced, by friendly suggestions on their part, to resign his rectorship, and thus obviate the necessity of their acting under the Canon. The secretary accordingly, under the instruction of the committee, addressed a kind and courteous note to the Rev. Mr. Phillips, conveying this suggestion. The only answer received to this note was a presentment of the Rev. Secretary for trial, under charge of unlawful intrusion into the parish, made by

Rev. H. L. Phillips and Rev. K. J. Stewart. Of this so called presentment, no notice was taken.

The Standing Committee met by adjournment, March 21, 1881, and unanimously gave it as their advice and judgment, that the pastoral connection between the rector and the parish of Christ Church, Delaware City, should cease and terminate on Easter day, April 17, 1881. Of my judgment and decision, in accordance with this advice, the parties were duly notified.

The Rev. Mr. Phillips refused to comply with the judgment thus pronounced, and assumed to act as rector of the Church, taking the chair at the parish meeting on Easter Monday, and conducting divine service, and, under the provision of the Canon, was inhibited from the performance of any ministerial offices or functions in the Diocese.

In September, 1880, I received from the Vestry of Trinity Church, Wilmington, an application for the dissolution of the pastoral connection between that parish and the Rev. William J. Frost, D. D., rector, and on the first of December following, I received the written answer of the Rev. Dr. Frost. These, and accompanying documents, were laid before the Standing Committee of the Diocese, at a meeting held December 13, 1880. After full and careful consideration, the Standing Committee, acting under the Canon above mentioned, were unanimous in their judgment that the pastoral connection between the rector and parish of Trinity Church, should cease and terminate on or before Easter day, April 17, 1881. I gave my official sentence in accordance with this advice on the 13th, of December, 1880, and notified the parties accordingly. The Vestry complied with the terms of the sentence. The Rev. W. J. Frost, D. D., refusing to accept and comply with such canonical judgment, and continuing to exercise the authority of rector of Trinity Church, and to control the religious services after the date assigned for the termination of his rectorship, was, on the 26th day of April, 1881, inhibited from the performance of all ministerial functions and offices in the Diocese of Delaware.

I may add to this statement of official action, that the charter of Trinity Church contains a provision giving to the Vestry authority to dismiss the rector at three months' notice. When the Rev. Dr. Frost was informed by the Vestry, of their desire that the connection between himself and the Church should be severed, he sent them a protest, dated September 2, 1880, against any proceedings for dismissal they as a Vestry might adopt, as illegal and improper, contending that a dissolution of the pastoral connection could only be effected by ecclesiastical authority, and in the manner pointed out by Canon 4 of Title II. The Vestry having the option of two courses of proceeding, in a

spirit of generous forbearance chose that marked out by the Canon cited by Dr. Frost, giving him all the benefit and protection which the Church had extended to her clergy, and confiding the decision to a board of which his clerical brethren constitute a majority.

October 1, 1880, the Rev. Frederick Thompson, deacon, of the Diocese of Connecticut, with my permission began to officiate in St. John Baptist Church, Milton, and has since been holding regular services. The improved aspect of the parish is very gratifying.

On the 15th of December, 1880, in St. Peter's Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., I took part in the consecration of the Rev. John A. Paddock, D. D., to the missionary episcopate of Washington territory. It is a cheering token when men of Dr. Paddock's character and position are willing to relinquish all that is desirable in a large and generous city parish for the trials and difficulties of such a work as he undertakes, in a region so remote and unsettled. As I had been intimately acquainted with him from his early years, there was special interest to me in the solemn services at his consecration. In the unsearchable ways of Divine Providence, his entrance upon his new field has been attended with a most painful bereavement, the loss of one who would have been his intimate sharer and comforter in his arduous labors. How often is it God's appointment that his ministers sow in tears that they may reap in joy.

The Rev. Charles E. Milnor has resigned the rectorship of Christ Church, Milford, his resignation to take effect on the first Sunday of June, 1881.

No letters dimissory from other Dioceses have been accepted.

Candidate for Deacon's Orders—Robert Wright, Jr., from May 4, 1876.

Postulant—Martin Ball Dunlap, July 21, 1877.

Examining Chaplains—Rev. Joseph A. Stone, Rev. Charles S. Spencer, Rev. B. J. Douglass.

The Rev. Henry Winter Syle, a deaf mute, is engaged in mission labors among that interesting class, and received my permission on December 1, 1880, to minister in this Diocese. I warmly commend hin and his deserving object to the confidence and assistance of the clergy and congregations of Delaware.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Ascension Church, Claymont,	6	persons.
Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred	5	"
Grace Church, " "	5	"
St. John's Church, Wilmington,	11	"
St. Andrew's Church, "	18	"
Calvary Church, "	17	"
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	8	"
St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,	10	"
Christ Church, Dover,	5	"
Christ Church, Milford,	3	"
St. John Baptist Church, Milton,	2	"
St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,	1	"
St. Peter's Church, Lewes,	5	"
St. Luke's Church, Seaford,	1	"
St. Philip's Church, Laurel,	3	"
St. Mark's Church, Little Creek,	5	"
St. Andrew's Church, Ellis Grove,	4	"
St. John's Church, Greenville,	2	"
St. Mark's Church, Millsboro,	1	"
Christ Church, Broad Creek,	2	"
Total,	114	"

The Church at Georgetown is undergoing much needed repairs. The old building has been nearly taken down to be reconstructed in a more solid, durable and ornate manner.

We chronicle no specially large ingatherings this year, but the results of so much faithful and persevering labor as I know to have been expended on our limited field, are sure to come. In due season ye shall reap.

Commending you, dear brethren, and your work to the God of all grace, I am your yoke-fellow and servant for Jesus' sake.

ALFRED LEE.

The Secretary presented and read a communication from the committee on expenses of the General Convention relative to the payment of the expenses of Deputies to the General Convention.

The Secretary also presented the following communication from the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, which was ordered to be spread upon the Journal, and is as follows:

THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

To the Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of Delaware.

SIR:—In compliance with the requirements of Article 8, of the Constitution, I would hereby officially make known, through you, to the Convention of the Diocese of Delaware, the following proposed changes in the Book of Common Prayer of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, adopted by the General Convenrion of 1880, and to be finally acted upon by the General Convention of 1883, to wit:—

It was, by concurrent action (*vide* Journal of Convention, pp. 156, 157–159, 161, 162, 181, 182, 185–187, 188, 225, 251, 263, 273, 291, 292, 299, 300, 303, 316,) of the two Houses of the General Convention of 1880,—

Resolved, That the ratification of the Book of Common Prayer be amended so as to read as follows, and that such proposed amendment be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, in order that it may be adopted in the next General Convention, according to Article 8 of the Constitution:—

THE RATIFICATION OF THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER BY THE BISHOPS, THE CLERGY, AND THE LAITY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IN GENERAL CONVENTION ASSEMBLED.

The General Convention of this Church, having heretofore—to wit, on the sixteenth day of October, A. D, 1789—set forth and established a Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, and thereby established the said book and declared it to be the Liturgy of this Church, and required that it be received as such by all the members of the same, and be in use from and after the first day of October, A. D, 1790: the same book is hereby ratified and confirmed, and ordered to be the use of this Church from this time forth.

But note, however, that on days other than Sunday, Christmas Day, the Epiphany, Ash-Wednesday, Good Friday, and Ascension Day, it shall suffice if the Minister begin Morning or Evening Prayer

at the General Confession, or the Lord's Prayer, preceded by one or more of the sentences appointed at the beginning of Morning and Evening Prayer, and end after the Collect for Grace, or the Collect for Aid against Perils, with 2 Cor. xiii. 14, using so much of the Lessons appointed for the day, and so much of the Psalter, as he shall judge to be for edification.

And note, also, that on any day, when Morning and Evening Prayer shall have been duly said, or are to be said, and upon days other than those first afore-mentioned, it shall suffice, when need may require, if a Sermon or Lecture be preceded by at least the Lord's Prayer and one or more Collects found in this book. *Provided*, that no prayers not set forth in said book, or otherwise authorized by this Church, shall be used before or after such Sermon or Lecture,

And note further, also, that on any day the Morning Prayer, the Litany, or the Order for the Administration of the Lord's Supper, may be used as a separate and independent service, provided that no one of these services shall be disused habitually.

In testimony whereof, I have this day hereunto affixed my name.

CHARLES L. HUTCHINS,

Secretary of the House of Deputies.

MEDFORD, MASS., May 2, A. D. 1881.

The special order of the day, being the resolutions proposed by the Rev. Mr. Hanson, they were taken up for consideration on motion of Mr. Fell. After some discussion, the further consideration was postponed until the next Convention, on motion of Mr. Rodney.

On motion of Mr. Nowland, the motion to postpone was reconsidered, and Mr. Fell moved as a substitute for the postponement, that the whole subject be referred to a committee of five, to consider the same and report to the next Convention, which motion prevailed.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Clemson, the following minute was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

WHEREAS, The present session of the Convention marks the lapse of forty years since the election of the Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., LL.D. to the Episcopate, and before the meeting of the next Conven-

tion there will occur the fortieth Anniversary of his consecration : The clergy and laity of the Diocese of Delaware in Convention assembled, desire, on this occasion,to place upon record an expression of their affection for the venerable Bishop of the Diocese, and of their congratulations to him upon his reaching, in good health and strength, the fortieth year of his Episcopate. They attest with much pleasure his fidelity in the performance of the varied and responsible duties of his high office, and the uniform kindness and impartiality which have always characterized his official relations with the clergy and laity of the Diocese. We further express our earnest hope that our Bishop may be spared yet many years to come, in such vigor of body and mind, as to afford us a long continuance of his acceptable service and his Godly example.

Dr. Burr presented the account of Mr. George D. Armstrong, Treasurer of the funds for endowment of the Episcopate and Disabled Clergy, and the Bishop appointed Messrs. E. R. Paynter and William Luke, a committee to audit the same.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Douglass, it was resolved that the Convention proceed to the election of the Standing Committee.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Messrs. Hanson and Jefferis tellers for the Clerical vote; Messrs. E. S. Martin and B. I. Moore for the lay vote.

The tellers reported, and the Bishop announced that the Rev. Charles S. Spencer, the Rev. Lewis W. Gibson, the Rev. Joseph A. Stone, Messrs. S. M. Curtis and Dr. Horace Burr, had been duly elected by a vote of 13 to 2 of the clergy, and 29 to one blank by the laity.

Mr. Ponder, from the Committee to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention, reported that they had examined the same, and found them correct.

Dr. Cummins moved that the next Convention be held in Christ Church, Milford.

Mr. Bates moved as a substitute, that a committee be appointed to recommend a place for the meeting of the next

Convention, to report on the foliowing morning, which was adopted.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. Messrs. Gibson and Gordon, and Mr Ponder.

Rev. Mr. Littell presented and read the report of the Registrar.

The Registrar reports that he has received twenty-four (24) documents during the past year. The volume of "*Historical Collections*," by the Bishop of Iowa, containing letters on the early history of the Church in Delaware, which the last Convention resolved to procure (Journal, p. 9.,) and which comprised, also, letters relating to the Church in Maryland, was presented by William P. Cresson, Esq. Another volume of those letters relating only to Delaware, was presented by Bishop Lee.

The other donors have been the Bishops of Kansas, the Rev. William J. Frost, D. D., LL. D., and the Registrars of several Dioceses.

T. GARDINER LITTELL.

Registrar.

JUNE 1st, 1881.

Mr. Bates presented and read the report of the Committee appointed at the last Convention to procure from the Legislature a charter, or amendment to the existing charter, providing for a corporation to hold Church property.

The act of Incorporation accompanying the report, and the report, were, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Lewis, accepted and adopted, and the thanks of the Convention tendered the Committee for their labors, and the Treasurer directed to pay the cost of the certified copy.

A supplement to the act entitled an act to authorize the Protestant Episcopal Church in this State to raise a fund for the support of a Bishop, and to aid Missionaries and necessitous ministers, their widows and children, passed at Dover, February 6, 1845.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representative of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met, (two-thirds of each branch thereof concurring.)

SECTION 1. That the corporation created by the act to which this is a supplement be and the same is hereby revived and continued for the period of twenty years from the passage hereof, and all acts and transactions done and performed by the Trustees from time to time elected in accordance with the provisions of said act since the expiration of twenty years from the passage thereof, shall have the same force and effect and be as valid to all intents and purposes, and all the powers of said corporation shall and may be exercised in the same manner and with the same force and effect as if the said corporation had been renewed and continued in existence by an act passed before the expiration of twenty years from the date of its incorporation. All funds and securities, choses in action and other property now held by the said Trustees shall continue to be the property of said corporation and shall be held and administered under the powers hereby granted and in accordance with the provisions of this act for the purposes to which they have been and are respectively designated; and so much of said act to which this is supplementary as is included in the proviso in the first section and the second and third sections thereof is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. The number of Trustees of said corporation shall hereafter be seven; one of whom shall be the Bishop of the Diocese *ex-officio*; the remaining six shall be elected by the annual convention of the Diocese of Delaware, as follows:

At the next ensuing annual convention of said Diocese, the said six trustees shall be elected, and immediately upon their election their terms shall be apportioned by lot in such manner as said convention may direct, for one, two, three, four, five, and six years, respectively, and at every annual convention, hereafter, one trustee shall be elected for the term of six years. The said trustees shall continue in office until their successors are duly elected. and any vacancy may be filled as provided by the Diocesan Canons, or, in the absence of such provision, by the said annual convention.

SECTION 3. The said corporation shall, hereafter, have power to accept and administer any trust for the benefit of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the said Diocese or any parish therein, or for any religious, eleemosynary, charitable, educational or benevolent purpose within the limits of said Diocese or any parish of the same. And to that end to take legal titles to lands which may be purchased or otherwise legally acquired by it for church sites, parsonages, schools, hospitals, asylums or other purposes within the scope of this act; to accept funds to be invested in lands for such purposes, and also to receive funds in trust to hold the same, and from time to time to rein-

vest such funds in interest-bearing securities and apply the income thereof to the purchase of lands for the like purposes; and in all such cases to manage and control such property for the uses declared in the instrument of such gifts or conveyances or in the absence of express direction as shall seem best to said corporation, and generally to accept and administer any and all trusts of real and personal property which may be committed to it by individuals, bodies corporate and politic, by any court or by the convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in said Diocese, or by the authorities of any parish therein. The said corporation shall also have power to be appointed as executor or administrator with the will annexed, and when so appointed shall not be required to give security, "except in such case and in such manner and amount as the Register of wills who shall grant the letters testamentary, or of administration therein may deem necessary to secure the payment of debts." And any oath or affirmation required by law to be taken in the due execution of the powers herein granted, may be made or taken by the President or Treasurer of said corporation.

SECTION 4. The said corporation shall have power in the execution of the trust contemplated by this act, subject to the direction of the donors to sell and convey, mortgage, lease, or otherwise dispose of the said property, and to receive and receipt for the purchase, or other money received from the transfer or mortgage of the same, without any liability on the part of any purchaser, grantee or lessee with respect to the application of the money or other security on property paid or delivered to said corporation.

SECTION 5. The said corporation may have and use a common seal, and from time to time may enact by-laws for its government, and providing for all necessary details in the management of its business and the selection of its officers and agents. and the same may alter, amend or repeal, provided the same be not repugnant to the Constitution or laws of the United States or of this State.

SECTION 6 The act to which this is a supplement shall hereafter be read and construed as follows, viz: Section one thereof shall be as heretofore in said act as amended in section one of this act except that the enacting clause shall be omitted from said section and placed before it with the words, "*two thirds of each branch thereof concurring*" added thereto; sections two, three, four and five shall be the same sections of this act with the same numbers respectively, and section four of said act shall hereafter be numbered section six, and the words "*And be it further enacted*" shall be omitted at the beginning thereof and the title of said act shall be amended so as to read, an act to

incorporate the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

SECTION 7. This shall be deemed and taken to be a public act. Passed at Dover, April 7, 1881.

CATESBY F. RUSH.
Speaker of the Senate.
REYNEAR WILLIAMS,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

STATE OF DELAWARE, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

I. James L. Wolcott, Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled" An act to authorize the Protestant Episcopal Church in this State to raise a fund for the support of a Bishop, and to aid missionaries and necessitous ministers, their widows and children, passed at Dover, February 6, 1845, passed at Dover, April 7, 1881, the same having been compared by me with the original roll now on file in my office.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, at Dover, this twenty-third day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one.

JAMES L. WOLCOTT,
Secretary of State.

On motion of Mr. Bates, it was resolved, that a Committee be appointed to suggest suitable names to be elected Trustees under this act. The Bishop appointed the Rev. Messrs. Lewis and Littell, and Mr. Curtis.

The Chair announced that the hour for recess had arrived, and declared the convention adjourned till 7.45 o'clock P. M.

ST. ANDREWS CHURCH, 7-45 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention assembled to attend the Missionary Meeting.

Prayers were said by the Rev. Mr. Smith and the Bishop.

Addresses were made by the Bishop, Rev. Messrs. Gordon and Hanson.

The Rev. Mr. Syle, a deaf mute, was introduced by the Bishop, and through the Rev. Mr. Smith, addressed the Convention.

The usual offerings were made for Missions in the Diocese.

The meeting was closed by singing the 126th Hymn, and the Benediction.

CALVARY CHURCH, June 2d, 1881.

The Convention assembled at 9 o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Messrs. Littell and Stone.

The house was called to order.

The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum being present, the minutes were read and approved.

The Rev. Mr. Lewis, from the Committee on the subject, made the following report :

The Committee appointed to suggest names for persons to be voted for as Trustees of the "Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware," present the following : George H. Bates, Geo. B. Rodney, George D. Armstrong, Hon. Edward G. Bradford, Dr. Henry Ridgely, William Jenks Fell. We would also recommend that the Secretary be instructed to draw the lot in the usual mode, the first name drawn to serve for six years, the second for five years, and so on until the last name is drawn.

The report of the Committee was adopted, and the Bishop requested the Convention to prepare their ballots for six Trustees of the "Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware," and appointed as tellers for the

At Milton, one of the points which we proposed in our last report, the Rev. Frederick Thompson of the Diocese of Connecticut has been officiating every Sunday since October 1, and the good influence of regular ministrations is very apparent and cheering.

Mr. Thompson, having not yet been transferred to this Diocese, could not be appointed a regular Missionary of the Committee. This hindrance it is expected will be soon removed, and meanwhile he has received the same compensation for his servives.

The connection with your Committee of the Rev. H. L. Phillips, missionary of Delaware City and Kirkwood, terminated April 17, 1881.

The Rev. Chas. E. Milnor having sent in his resignation as Rector of Christ Church, Milford, will no longer act as Missionary at Harrington.

As to the importance and value of our Diocesan Missionary work we think it unnecessary to repeat the considerations so often urged in our previous reports.

In the removal by the death of Jesse Lane, Esq., of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, our Diocesan Missions have lost a most constant friend and liberal sustainer.

ALFRED LEE,
JOHN B. CLEMSON,
D. D. SMITH,
BAUDUY SIMMONS,
WM. JENKS FELL.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Littell, the Rev. Mr. Lewis was nominated to the General Convention as a Trustee of the General Theological Seminary from this Diocese.

Rev. Mr. Gibson, from the Committee appointed for that purpose, reported the following;

Resolved, That the next Convention be held in Christ Church, Milford, which motion was adopted.

Rev. Mr. Douglass proposed the following resolution:

Resolved, That Canon XIII be amended by striking out the whole of said Canon, and inserting in lieu thereof, the following:

CANON XIII.

At each Annual Convention, one Trustee of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware shall be elected by concur-

rent ballot of both orders, to continue in office for the term of six years, or until his successor shall be duly elected. In case of a vacancy, by death or otherwise, (if the Convention be not in session,) it shall be the duty of the Board of Trustees to notify the Standing Committee of the Diocese thereof, and it shall be the duty of the said Committee to supply such vacancy, as soon as it shall have knowledge of the same, by such notice, or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Douglass, the proposed Canon was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

On motion of Mr. Curtis, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Constitution and Canons be requested to consider and report to the next Convention, what changes, if any, are necessary to be made in Canon XI.

The tellers reported, and the Bishop declared, that George H. Bates, Wm. Jenks Fell, Edward G. Bradford, George B. Rodney, George D. Armstrong, and Dr. Henry Ridgely, having received a majority of the votes of each Order, were duly elected Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

The Rev. Mr. Douglass, from the Committee on Constitution and Canons, reported back the proposed amendment of Canon XIII, with the recommendation that it pass. Upon a vote being taken, it appeared that more than two-thirds of the members present voted in the affirmative, and the Bishop declared the amended Canon adopted.

Mr. Holcomb offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That this Convention hereby expresses its hearty approval and endorsement of the course pursued by our Bishop and the Standing Committee of the Diocese, in the extraordinary and embarrassing difficulties that they have been called upon to meet during the past year.

Which, on his motion, was adopted.

Mr. Paynter, from the Committee to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Protestant Epis-

copal Church of the Diocese of Delaware, in account with the Endowment Fund and Disabled Clergy Fund, reported that they had examined the same and found them correct. (*For reports see appendix*)

Mr. Chandler presented the account of the Secretary for his official expenses during the past year, and the Treasurer was authorized to pay the same.

On motion of Dr. Cummins, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be given to the Rector, Wardens and Vestry of Calvary and St. Andrew's Churches, and to the citizens of Wilmington for their kindness and hospitality, and that the usual compensation be paid to the Sexton of this Church.

The Secretary proceeded to determine by lot the terms of the Trustees elected, viz: Dr. Henry Ridgely, six years; George H. Bates, five years; Hon. E. G. Bradford, four years; George D. Armstrong, three years; George B. Rodney, two years; William J. Fell, one year.

The Bishop announced that he nominated for the Committee on Constitution and Canons, Rev. William G. W. Lewis, for four years, to fill the unexpired term of Rev. Dr. Frost, and Dr. Henry Ridgely to succeed himself, for the term of five years.

A ballot was ordered upon the confirmation of the nominations, and the Bishop appointed the Rev. Mr. Gibson and Dr. Fowler, tellers.

The tellers reported, and the Bishop declared that the Rev. Mr. Lewis had been elected for four years, and Dr. Ridgely, for five years.

On motion of Mr. Fell, the resolution appointing a Committee of five to consider the plan recommended for endowment of the Episcopate, and report to the next Convention, was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Fell, the Convention then appointed the Trustees just elected, as the Committee for the above purpose.

With the consent of the Convention, the Bishop appointed the Rev. Messrs. Littell, Douglass and Jefferis, a Committee to direct the distribution of the income of the fund for Disabled Clergy, and the Treasurer of the Trustees was duly authorized to pay the same, upon their joint order.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the Secretary was directed to have five hundred copies of the Journal printed, and the Treasurer was authorized to pay the account for the same, when certified by the Secretary to be correct.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Stone,

Resolved, That after the reading of the minutes and prayers, the House adjourn *Sine die.*

The Minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

After the singing of the 315th Hymn, the Bishop made a brief address, offered the closing prayers, and pronounced the benediction.

S. M. CURTIS,

Secretary.

DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

THE RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, D. D., *Bishop and President of the Convention.* Residence, Wilmington.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Charles S. Spencer, *President*, New Castle.
" Joseph A. Stone. *Secretary*, Newark.
" Lewis W. Gibson.
Mr. S. M. Curtis.
Dr. Horace Burr.

DEPUTIES TO GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass,	S. M. Curtis,
" Wm. B. Gordon,	Geo. H. Bates.
" Dudley D. Smith,	Horace Burr, M. D.,
" T. Gardiner Littell,	W. Jenks Fell,

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

Rev. Joseph A. Stone, Rev. Charles S. Spencer.
Rev. B. J. Douglass.

MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., *Chairman.*
" John B. Clemson, D. D.,
" D. D. Smith,
Mr. Bauduy Simmons, *Treasurer*,
" William Jenks Fell.

TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rev. T. Gardiner Littell,	Rev. Lewis W. Gibson.
" Charles S. Spencer,	" Wm. G. W. Lewis,

TRUSTEES OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

Dr. Henry Ridgely.	George D. Armstrong,
Mr. George H. Bates,	Mr. George B. Rodney
Hon. Edward G. Bradford.	Wm. Jenks Fell.

REGISTRAR OF CONVENTION.

Rev. T. Gardiner Littell.

TREASURER OF CONVENTION.

Gregg Chandler, Wilmington.

SECRETARY OF CONVENTION.

S. M. Curtis, Newark.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

George H. Bates, Wilmington.

ATTEST, S. M. CURTIS, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Church of the Ascension, Claymont.

REV. R. HEBER MURPHY, Rector.
REV. J. B. CLEMSON, D. D., Emeritus Rector.

Baptisms		3
Confirmed		6
Communicants—Last reported	45	
" Removed	1	
" Died	2	
" Added	8	
" Present number		50
Marriages		2
Funerals		3
Sunday School—Teachers		5
" " Scholars		50
Public Services		120

OFFERINGS.

Missions—Diocesan	9 53	
" Foreign	24 75	
" Domestic	8 39	
" " 5c offering	28 00	
" Indian	3 50	
" Colored	15 71	
		$ 89 88
Disabled Clergy Fund	7 75	
Diocesan Charges	18 00	
Free Church Association	2 25	
Soc'y for Promoting Christianity among the Jews.	2 00	
		$ 30 00

Alms	50 37	
For Sunday Schools	65 20	
Raised by Ladies' Aid Society	238 32	
Specials	46 50	
Current expenses, not including Rector's Salary	300 00	
		$ 700 29
Total		$ 822 27

Of the above amounts, the children of the Sunday School raised in various ways more than $ 69 00.

A portion of the work of the Ladies' Aid Society of the parish consisted in filling two barrels for Mrs. Buford's work in Virginia, and in making two surplices for the use of the parish.

Help has also been given to Miss Scott's work in Liberia, the actual value of which it is hard to estimate in dollars and cents.

Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred.

REV. WILLIAM M. JEFFERIS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 7, Adult 6, total		13
Confirmed		5
Communicants—Last reported	33	
" Removed	1	
" Added	6	
" Present number		38
Marriages		1
Funerals		2

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Teachers	12
Scholars	100

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms	$ 22 25
Clothing (mostly new) for the destitute	50 00
Diocesan Charges	8 00
Current Expenses	960 23
Repairs and Improvements	713 19
Sunday School Festivals	62 10
For Sunday School papers and leaflets	33 00
Total	$ 1848 77

The Rector takes pleasure in recording the completion of several much needed improvements and repairs. Wire railings have been placed upon the cemetery wall, and through the church lot. The sexton's house has been painted, and the sheds and stable put in thorough repair. The woodwork of the church has been painted throughout, other walls have been "pointed" on the outside, while their inner surface has been beautifully painted in fresco.

For most of these improvements, the parish is indebted to the kindly christian interest of Mr. Wm. Penn Cresson.

Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred.

REV. WILLIAM M. JEFFERIS, Rector.

Baptisms, Infant 2, Adult 5, total		7
Confirmed		5
Communicants—Last reported	25	
" Removed	3	
" Added	5	
" Present number		27

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Teachers	4
Scholars	45

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms	$ 12 50
Diocesan Charges	5 00
Sunday School Festival	28 50
Repairing Organ	9 50
Carriage for Rector	105 00
Silver Communion Service, for Rector	28 00
Sunday School papers and leaflets	13 00
Current Expenses	56 14
Total	$ 257 64

Since Easter, Mr. Robert H. Wright, Jr., has rendered acceptable services as Lay Reader.

St. John's Church, Wilmington.

REV. T. GARDINER LITTELL, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 23, Adult 3, total		26
Confirmed, (2 in private)		11
Communicants—Number in last report	138	
" Died	3	
" Lost by removal	17	
" Gained by removal	18	
" Added	10	
" Present number		146
Marriages		3
Burials		14
Services—On Sundays, 142; other days, 145		287
Sunday Schools		3
Teachers		20
Scholars		210

Children Catechised every Sunday.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Alms		$ 22 00
Sunday Schools		97 81
Rectory Fund		122 86
Improvements		253 41
Current Expenses		1853 74
Diocesan Expenses		50 00
Endowment of Episcopate		10 56
Disabled Clergymen		36 76
Foreign Missions		76 35
Diocesan Missions		78 89
Domestic Missions—General	67 95	
Indians	26 81	
Colored people	13 80	
		108 56
General Missionary Fund		81 12
Total		$ 2792 06

The Rev. E C. Alcorn resigned his position as Rector's Assistant on the 28th day of last September.

St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

RT. REV. ALFRED LEE, Rector.
REV. J. W. KAYE, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—Infant 8, Adult 3, Total	11
Confirmed	18
Communicants—Removed	12
" Died	6
" Added	22
" Present number	274
Marriages	3
Funerals	16

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

St. Andrew's, Teachers,.....30 Scholars,	250
Robert Smith (colored), Teachers 28 "	260
Total,	510

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

St. Andrew's, Diocesan Mission	50 00	
Church at Ellis Grove	51 51	
" Dagsboro	17 00	
Mexico, Scholarship	40 00	
" from Mexican Band—proceeds of work	50 00	
Other purposes	11 44	
		$219 95
Robert Smith, missions among colored people at the South		41 00
Total from Sunday Schools		260 95

CHURCH OFFERINGS.

Missions—Diocesan	357 14		
Church at Ellis Grove	160 00		
" Laurel	20 00		
		$537 14	
Domestic, General Board	25 00		
Ch. Missionary Society	133 00		
Boxes from Ladies			
Sewi'g Soc'y&c.for Missionaries	203 00		
Jewish Missions	27 00		
		$388 00	
Foreign		191 50	
			$ 1116 64

CHARITABLE.

Communion Alms	112 39	
Clergy Relief Fund—Diocesan	50 00	
" General	30 00	
		$ 192 39

SOCIETIES.

Ev. Education (scholarship $300)	366 02	
Ev. Knowledge	33 52	
State Bible	30 00	
		$429 54
Diocesan charges		175 00
(Current expenses not included.)		2174 52

Considerable donations have been given by members of the Parish to the Mexican League, the Church at Georgetown and other objects, not included in the above statement.

The Church has mourned the loss of some valued members. Mr. Jesse Lane who died in February last, at an advanced age, had been for many years, a communicant and warden. His services were always cheerfully given while health and activity were continued, and during the confinement of long and painful illness his interest in the welfare of the Parish and of the Church in the Diocese was unabated and generously manifested. In his last will and testament he left to the Parish the sum of two thousand dollars, the income of which is to be applied to the relief of the poor. Dr. Erasmus C. Dunning, whose consistent christian charater, enlightened attachment to the Church, amiability and benevolence, had won for him a high place in the esteem and affection of all who knew him, and gave promise of great usefulness, was suddenly called hence at the age of thirty-six years.

Report of Trinity Church, Wilmington.

Communicants—Number last reported	150
Sunday Schools	
At the Chapel—Teachers	13
" Scholars	100
At Old Church—Teachers	16
" Scholars	160

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan	13 00
" Domestic	112 00
" Foreign	15 00
Total	148 00
Disabled Clergy Fund	9 71
Charitable	150 00
Diocesan Charges	125 00
Church Society for Jews	22 00
Free Church Society	8 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society	9 50
Endowment of Episcopate	6 72
	$330 93
Parochial—For objects within the Parish, including salary	$2619 59
Total for objects without the Parish	481 00
Total Contributions	$3100 59

Not being able to obtain the Parish Register from the late Rector I am under the necessity of omitting the most important part of the report.

HORACE BURR,
Jr. Warden.

Calvary Church, Wilmington.

REV. GEO. W. DUBOIS, D. D. Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 25, Adult 6, Total	31
Confirmed	17
Communicants last reported	100
Removed	5
Died	3
Added	25
Present number	117
Marriages	4
Funerals	14
Sunday School Bible Class, Teachers	22
Scholars	200
Public Services, with Sermon or Lecture	160

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan, through Committee	$ 15 00
" Church at Laurel	5 00
" " Newport	5 00
" " Georgetown	5 00
Diocesan Charges	35 00
Disabled Clergy Fund	15 00
Endowment of Episcopate	4 00
Missions, Foreign Africa	4 00
Irish Bible Society	24 80
Mexico through Del. Br. League	43 00
Parochial—Charitable	55 40
Improvements of Church Edifice	474 64
Sunday School	84 47
Other objects. Jersey City Child's Hospital	1 50
100 copies Parish Visitor	25 00
Total, exclusive of salaries and current expenses	$ 796 81

For several years, past the Parish has received the generous assistance of the late Jesse Lane. At his recent death, his annual contribution of $ 200 ceased. This loss will involve the serious embarrassment of our resources. For although the Parish is growing in numbers and in strength, still it is essentially a missionary field, in which a successful and important work is prosecuted among the skilled artisans and laborers of the car shops, ship yards, and manufacturing establishments of the city. In this emergency we ask the sympathy and assistance of our Church people outside the Parish.

Christ Church, Christiana Hundred.

REV. D. D. SMITH, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 13; Adult 1			14
Confirmed			8
Communicants—Last reported		130	
"	Removed	3	
"	Died	1	
"	Lost	1	
"	Added	20	
"	Present number		145

Marriages		3
Funerals		10
Sunday School—Teachers	14	
" Scholars	104	

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	65 00	
Aid of Clergy in Diocese	43 05	
		108 05
Domestic—Indians	22 50	
Colored people	22 50	
Am. Ch Miss. Society	86 52	
Ladies' Auxiliary Society	282 81	
Poor Churches	197 00	
Private Gifts	25 00	
Seamen and Landsmen Soc.	75 00	
		$ 711 73
Foreign—Collection	90 00	
Sunday School Collections	32 03	
Missionary Box	7 50	
5 cent Collection	173 24	
Mexican League	65 00	
Women's Union Miss. Society	70 00	
Private Gifts	237 00	
		674 77
Total Missions		$ 1494 15
Charitable—Communion Alms		116 60
Diocesan Charges		85 00
Evangelical Education Society		55 00
American Tract Society		45 00
" Bible "		55 00

PAROCHIAL.

Church repairs	238 81
Sunday School	45 50
	$2,135 06

Immanuel Church, New Castle.

REV. C. S. SPENCER, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 16; Adult, 2; total		18
Communicants—Number last reported		128
" Removed	10	
" Died	4	
" Added	5	
" Present number		123
Marriages		4
Funerals		6
Sunday Schools and Bible Classes—Teachers		16
" " Scholars		200
Public Services		198

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms	$ 110 00

OFFERINGS.

For Diocesan Year ending June 1, 1881.

For Diocesan Missions	$ 24 26
" General Parish purposes	140 02
" Indian Commission	14 02
" Dagsboro and Laurel Churches	24 33
" Sunday School Library	8 10
" Increase of Ministry	22 50
" Prayer Book Society	10 22
" Nashotah Mission	15 12
" Parish Library	14 10
" Disabled Clergy Fund	10 70
" Foreign Missions	71 18
" Domestic "	78 73
" Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund	15 11
" Freedman's Commission	15 66

St. James' Church, Newport.

REV. W. D. HANSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant		4
Communicants—number last reported	18	
" Removed	2	
" Added	2	

Communicants—Present number	18
Funerals	2

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan	$ 2 25
Domestic (American Church Missionary Society)	3 33
Foreign (Mexico)	1 25
Total	6 83
Disabled Clergy Fund	1 25
Endowment of Episcopate	2 16
Communion Alms	2 57
Diocesan Charges	7 00
Parochial	137 36
	$ 157 17

REMARKS.

A change just made in the hour of meeting promises to revive greatly our Sunday School. We hope too, to hear soon our newly purchased bell ringing forth its call to the house of God.

St. James Church near Stanton.

REN. W. D. HANSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant	2
Communicants—No. last reported	57
Removed	2
Died	1
Added	10
Present number	64
Funerals	7
Sunday Schools and Bible Classes—Teachers	6
Scholars	45

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan		$ 2 50
"	Domestic, (Am. Ch. Miss. Soc.)	6 00
"	Foreign, (Mexico.)	11 00
"	Foreign, (Mission Boxes.)	8 93
	Total	$ 28 43

Disabled Clergy Fund	3 00
Endowment of Episcopate	2 25
Communion Alms	8 92
Diocesan charges	25 00
Parochial	548 10
Total	$ 615 70

St. Thomas Church, Newark.

REV. JOSEPH A. STONE, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infant 3, Total	3
Communicants—Present number	66
Marriages	3
Funerals	2
Sunday School—Teachers	4
" " Scholars	35
Public services	125

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan	$ 76 00
" Domestic, Ch Miss. Soc.	58 70
" Foreign	86 48
" Mexico	15 00
Evangelical Education Society	25 00
Disabled Clergy Fund	31 30
Endowment of Episcopate	3 12
Diocesan charges	30 00
Communion Offerings	50 94
Sunday Collections	58 52
Church at Georgetown	30 00
S. S. Objects	9 17
Sewing Circle	60 00
Total	$ 534 13

St. Anne's Church, Middletown

REV. WM. G. W. LEWIS, Rector.

Communicants	75
Marriages	8

Funerals	3
Sunday Schools—Teachers	9
" Scholars	60
Public Services	160

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan	$ 20 00
" Foreign	10 00
" Domestic	10 00
Disabled Clergy	5 00
Parochial	1,000 00
Diocesan charges	40 00
Jewish Missions	5 00
St. Paul's, Georgtown	70 00
Total	$1160 00

Report of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.

REV. W. B. GORDON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant	3
Adult	1
Total	4
Confirmed	10
Communicants—Number last reported	72
Removed	4
Died	2
Lost	6
Added	10
Present Number	76
Marriages	2
Funerals	4
Sunday Shools & Bible Clases—Teachers	7
Scholars	80
Total	87
Public Services	187

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan		$ 30 00
"	Domestic	10 00
"	Foreign	25 00
	Total	$ 65 00
Disabled Clergy Fund		10 00
Charitable		55 81
Diocesan charges		45 00
Societies—Education, Church Aid Society		40 00
Parochial		2,118 00
Other purposes		24 00
Total		$ 2,367 81

REMARKS.

The spire of the Church which was blown off in the great storm of Sept. 17, 1876, has been restored, and the Church put in good repair.

Christ Church, Dover.

REV. LEWIS W. GIBSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant		5
Adult		1
Total		6
Confirmed		5
Communicants—Last reported		83
"	Added by removal	4
"	" by first Communion	5
"	Lost by removal	7
"	Present number	85
Marriages		6
Burials		2
Sunday Schools, (1) Dover—Teachers		11
"	" Scholars	75
"	(2) Camden—Teachers	5
"	" Scholars	50
Public services—Sundays		103
"	Other days	111
Services at Camden		12
Total		126

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions	$ 30 16
Domestic "	11 80
Charitable	40 04
Diocesan Charges	45 00
Endowment of Episcopate	11 83
Disabled Clergy Fund	15 10
Salary of Rector	975 00
Sunday Schools	83 13
Rectory Fund	120 00
Church expenses and repairs	295 30
Total	$ 1617 36

Christ Church, Milford, Delaware.

REV. C. E. MILNOR, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant	2
Marriages	2
Confirmed	3
Communicants	66
Sunday School—Teachers	5
" Scholars	40
Times of Divine Service	150
Offerings—About	$ 650 00

St. Paul's Church, Georgetown.

REV. B. J. DOUGLASS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant		7
Confirmed at Georgetown in private, on account of sickness,		1
at Broad Creek Church from Mission at Morgan's School House		2
Communicants—Added	1	
" Removed	2	
" Present number		54

Marriages	3
Burials	7
Sunday School—Teachers	8
" Scholars	50

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Am. Church Missionary Society	$ 5 00
Disabled Clergymen	10 00
Sunday School Purposes &c	25 00
Incidental Expenses	44 62
Sunday School for Church Building	18 00
Subscriptions from members of the Parish for repairs, including $100 from Church Aid Soc	805 22
Subscription of Rector for Repairs	1,000 00
Total	$1907 84

Shortly after the first of June 1880, and when the report for this year begins I had an attack of malarial fever, which disabled me from active work during the most of the summer. In September I returned from my vacation and resumed my duties at Georgetown and its vicinity. In October I attended as Delegate, the session of the General Convention. In November I resumed the Rectorship of the Parish, with the understanding that the work of repairing the old edifice should be vigorously prosecuted. This undertaking has awakened new energy, and the builders are now actively at work with the expectation that with God's blessing this beautifully remodeled building will be ready for us to worship in early in the Fall.

The mission work in the county has been kept up faithfully during the year with an encouraging attendance at the several school houses where I hold service, not without visible results.

As we were without a place to worship in on the occasion of the Bishop's visitation at Georgetown, we have obtained from the Bishop an assurance of his willingness to be with us early in the Fall for confirmation and for the opening service in the new church. Together with the new and beautiful edifice rapidly approaching completion, ground has been purchased and given for a chapel to be used also for Sunday school purposes. The Burial ground connected with the church has been enlarged by the donation of the town lot adjoining. Owing to the heavy claims for repairs &c., our contributions for extra parochial objects have fallen below the amount collected in former year.

St. Peter's Church, Lewes.

REV. GEORGE HALL, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult 1, Children 4, total		5
Confirmed		5
Communicants—Added by first Communion	4	
" Added by removal	3	
" Removed	1	
" Died	4	
" Present number		42
Marriages		1
Burials		5
Sunday School—Teachers		8
" Scholars on the roll, about		60

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For the Grave Yard	$ 13 00
Offerings on Thanksgiving day	25 00
Christmas Festival	32 00
Easter offering	3 00
For the Poor	47 00
Church improvements	90 00
Communion Alms	23 46
Sunday Collections	68 00
Sunday School Collection	5 00
Episcopal and Convention Fund	15 00
Missions—Diocesan	5 00
" Indian	5 00
" Domestic	2 50
" Foreign	2 50
	$336 46
Public Services—Sundays	97
" Week days	23

St. John Baptist Church, Milton.

REV. FREDRRICK THOMPSON, Minister in charge.

Baptisms—Infant	5
Confirmed	2

Communicants—Number last reported	10	
" Died	1	
" Added	7	
" Present number		17
Funerals		1
Sunday Schools and Bible Classes—Teachers	9	
" Scholars	40	
Total		49
Public Services—Sunday		75
" other services		25

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Disabled Clergy Fund of Diocese	$ 5 00
Diocesan Charges	5 00
Parochial	184 84
Sunday School	12 00
Total	206 84

REMARKS.

I am indebted to the Rev. Messrs. Douglass and McKim of Georgetown, and the Rev. J. Leighton McKim of Burlington N. J., for their kind assistance in administering the Holy Communion. I have connected with my work a boarding school for boys, and a day school for both sexes. The latter is in charge of Mr. P. R. Harrison, M. A. Oxford, who also assists me in the boarding school. In the Boarding School the boys are from New York, New Jersey, Indiana and one from Delaware.

St. Luke's Church, Seaford.

Baptisms—Infant 15; Adult 3; total		18
Confirmed		1
Communicants—Number last reported	112	
" Removed	8	
" Present number		104
Marriages		1
Funerals		14
Sunday Schools 1; Teachers		8
Scholars		50

Public Services were regularly held up to Nov. 1st 1880, since which time the parish has been without a rector, and services since have been occasional. I think our congregation are again desirous for service and trust that at no distant period we shall have a rector.

HUGH MARTIN,
Senior Warden.

Christ Church, Broad Creek, & St. Philip's Chapel, Laurel.

REV. DAVID HOWARD, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant	9
Confirmed	3
Communicants—Number last reported	62
" Added	7
" Removed	4
" Present number	65
Marriages	1
Funerals	2
Sunday Schools 1, Scholars	27
" Teachers	5
Public Services—Sundays	126
" Holy-days	18
" Other days	54
" Total	198
Holy Communion—Public	23
Sunday School—Catechised number of times	10

OFFERINGS.

Rector's salary	$ 450 00
Sunday School	10 00
Communion Alms	3 80
Current Expenses	70 00
Expended on New Church	275 00
Diocesan Missions	8 59
Diocesan charges	14 00
Endowment of the Episcopate	3 00
Total	$ 866 39

The reason offerings have not been made for other than Parochial objects, is, that the parish has been taxed to its utmost ability to complete the New Church.

Rev. George W. Johnson, Missionary in Sussex Co.

As your Missionary I would respectfully report:

Services on Sunday	130
Week day services	38
Baptisms—Adults	6
Children	23
Total	29
Confirmed	9
Communicants last report	83
Died	4
Lost by removal	6
Total	10
Present number under my charge	82
Marriages	1
Burials	5
Holy Communion	16
Sunday School—Teachers	21
" Scholars	220

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan charges	$ 10 00
" missions	40 00
Other purposes	168 00
Towards the salary of your Missionary	100 00
Total	$ 318 00

The following is a detailed account of the work, except the help given to my brother clergy.

St George's, Indian River Hd.

Marriages	1
Baptisms	4
Burials	3
Holy Communion	5
Public Services—Sunday	25
" Week day	8
Total	33
Communicants	22
Sunday School, Teachers	6
" Scholars	40

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions	$ 8 00
" charges	5 25
Salary of Missionary	70 00
Christmas gifts to Sunday School and Rector	17 00
For incidental expenses	14 25
Total	$ 114 50

Chapel of the Comforter, Long Neck.

Public services—Sunday	42
" Week days	7
Total	49
Holy Communion	5
Sunday School, Teachers	4
" Scholars	44
Communicants	14

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan charges	$ 2 75
" Missions	3 00
Salary of Missionary	30 00
For repairs on the Church	125 00
Christmas gifts to Sunday School	8 00
" Missionary	13 00
Total	$ 181 75

St. Mark's, Little Creek Hd.

Public Services—Sunday	25
" Week day	7
Total	32
Baptisms—Adults	3
Children	9
Total	12

Holy Communion	5
Burials	2
Communicants last report	41
Died	2
Lost by removal	6
Added by confirmation	6
Present number	39
Sunday School Teachers	4
" Scholars	50

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan charges	$ 2 00
" Missions	22 00
For lamps	4 50
Christmas gifts for Sunday School	5 00
Total	$ 33 50

St. Andrew's, Ellis Grove

Public services—Sunday	25
" Week day	15
Total	40
Baptisms—Adults	2
Children	6
Total	8
Holy Communion	1
Sunday School, Teachers	10
" Scholars	86
Added by Confirmation	4
Present number	5

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For stove	11 00
Diocesan Missions	7 00
Christmas gifts to Sunday Schools	6 00
Total	24 00

The cash expenses, as reported last year, in building the new Church were $656 33. The following items have since been added.

Paid for the lot, to secure the deed, $1 00. For carpet, $6 00. Lamps $22 10. Front steps and fence, $10 00. Painting, $5 00. Making the total cost $706 43. Received as last report, $381 15. Since, the following contributions have been received, from my son, additional, $2 00.

Mr. Gregg Chandler of Wilmington for window $12 00. Rev. Mr. Murphy's Sunday School for window, $5 00. Rev. Dr. Dubois, $5 co, gift of Calvary Sunday School. Mr. Isaac Giles, $5 00. St. Andrew's Sunday School, Wilmington, annual gathering $17 00. Mrs. Johnson $5 00. Levi Wood of Sharptown, for a window, $5 00. From Mr. Gregg Chandler and friends in Wilmington $160 00; making a total of $595 15, which deducted from $706 43, leaves $111 28.

I can but express my sincere thanks to all the friends who have so generously aided in building the new church, which is now all completed, neatly fenced, and the yard is set with evergreens. The attendance is all that could be desired, both at the services and Sunday school, so that in the near future, we may confidently expect good results. I have an insurance on the church for $700 00.

St. John's Church, Greenville.

WILLIAM R. ELLIS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 1; Adult, 2; Total			3
Confirmed			2
Communicants—number last reported		45	
"	Died	1	
"	Removed and dropped	9	
"	Added	2	
"	Present number		37
Marriages			4
Funeral			1
Public Services—Sundays, 23; other days, 12; total			35
Sunday School—Teachers			8
"	Scholars		50

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms	$ 11 26
Diocesan Charges	7 00
Other purposes	8 64
	$ 26 90

St. Mark's Church, Millsboro.

REV. WILLIAM R. ELLIS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants 4; Adults 7; total		11
Funerals		4
Confirmed		1
Communicants—number last reported	8	
" Added	4	
" Present number		12
Marriages		11
Public Services—Sundays, 21; other days, 6; total		27
Sunday School—Teachers		6
" Scholars		45

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms	$ 4 96
Diocesan Charges	3 00
Other purposes	24 53
	$ 32 49

Grace Church, Baltimore Mills.

REV. WILLIAM R. ELLIS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant	1
Communicants—present number	8
Marriages	2
Funeral	1
Public Services—Sundays, 18; other days, 1; total	19

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Charges	$ 2 00
Parochial	1 00

Permit me to add that, in addition to the foregoing service, I have officiated several times in a school house in the neighborhood of St. John's. Besides, I have assisted at a few services in other parishes. We have held two or three extra Sunday school services which I have omitted from the report of the regular Church services.

My field of labor is still very much extended. I am able to get to my different appointments but twice a month. In order to *hold* the

people, more frequent services are necessary. But under the present arrangement, I hardly see how this can be accomplished, my appointments being so far apart. However, as it is, we gain a little year by year. We need a new Church at St. John's very much; and as soon as the people can agree upon the site and style of building, I think we shall have but little trouble in providing one.

At Millsboro we are gaining. Some new families have recently moved into the parish, among whom are some communicants of our Church. These we gladly welcome. We have a good Sunday school. Altogether, the parish seems to be looking up. For all the success we have had and for future prospects, God's holy name be praised.

Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D.

I have improved all opportunities for exercising my ministry. I have celebrated one marriage and officiated at one funeral.

Rev. J. W. Kaye.

Since my report to the Convention of 1880, I have officiated as the Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, and my official acts are recorded in the register of that parish.

Rev. E. C. Alcorn.

In accordance with the canon I desire to report, that from the meeting of the last Diocesan Convention in (June, 1880,) until Oct. 1st 1880, I remained as Assistant Minister at St. John's Church, Wilmington, and that my official acts during that period are recorded in the register of said parish. From Oct. 1st 1880, until Easter Day 1881, though not "regularly settled" I regularly attended Trinity Church, Wilmington, and assisted the Rector in the public services. My official acts from Oct. 1st 1880, up to present date, are recorded in the register of that parish.

In addition to the above mentioned clerical work I have taught in a private school from three to five hours daily, during the Academic year.

REV. W. A. NEWBOLD.

As a member of your Diocese, I report that the cause of Missions has claimed my constant care in the year past, as for the last twelve years.

In seventeen Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions, the American Church Missionary Society has been laboring, and, as its Secretary, I have had widely extended interests to care for.

The presentation of the cause in the pulpit, the collection of funds for its support, the general oversight of the Missionaries and their operations, and the conducting of a large correspondence, have been among the varied duties of my office.

By your kindly permission I am still absent from the Diocese of Delaware, which I have long regarded as my Church home.

APPORTIONMENT

FOR DIOCESAN CHARGES UNDER CANON X.

Ascension, Claymont	$35 00
Grace, Brandywine Hundred	8 00
Calvary, " "	5 00
St. John's, Wilmington	50 00
St. Andrew's, "	175 00
Trinity, "	115 00
Calvary, "	30 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred	85 00
Immanuel, New Castle	95 00
St. James', Newport	7 00
St. James', Stanton	25 00
St. Thomas', Newark	30 00
Christ Church, Delaware City	20 00
St. Anne's, Appoquinimink	40 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna	45 00
Christ Church, Dover	45 00
Christ Church, Milford	30 00
St. John Baptist, Milton	8 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown	25 00
St. Peter's, Lewes	20 00
St. George's, Indian River	8 00
St. Luke's, Seaford	35 00
Christ Church, Broad Creek St. Philip's, Laurel	14 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro	8 00
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills	2 00
St. John's, Greenville	7 00
St. Mark's, Little Creek	2 00

Committee on the Assessment:

GREGG CHANDLER,
GEO. D. ARMSTRONG,
S. M. CURTIS.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Clergy, canonically resident	27
Candidates for Orders and Postulants	2
Clergymen settled in Parishes, and Missionaries	18
" having more than one charge	5
" dismissed	1
Parishes	31
Churches and Chapels	36
Baptisms,—infant 181, adult 46, total,	227
Confirmed	114
Communicants—removed	97
" died	30
" lost otherwise	7
" added	187
" present number	1980
Marriages	65
Funerals	180
Sunday Schools—Teachers 291, Scholars	2496

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions, Diocesan	$1,287 21	
" Domestic	1,676 75	
" Foreign	1,375 51	
" Not specified	92 56	
Total		$4,432 03
Disabled Clergy Fund		289 78
Charitable		965 27
Diocesan Charges		940 00
Societies—Education, Bible, Prayer Book, &c.		699 76
Endowment of Episcopate		583 97
Parochial		18,164 91
Other purposes		27 75
Total		$26,083 47

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention will be held in Christ Church, Milford, on the first Wednesday in June, 1882.

Parochial.	Other Purposes.	Total.	Current Expenses.
50 02	$2 25	$820 27	Current Exp's included.
38 52	.....	1848 77	" included.
10 14	.....	257 64	" included.
27 82	.....	2792 06	" included
....	.....	2174 52	" not included.
9 59	.....	3105 81	" included.
4 11	1 50	796 81	" included in part
1 31	.....	2155 46	" not included.
2 22	.....	1195 20	" not included
7 36	.....	157 17	" included.
8 10	.....	615 70	" included.
7 69	.....	534 23	" not included
....	.....	37 81	
0 00	.....	1160 00	" included.
8 00	24 00	2362 99	" included.
3 43	.....	1627 36	" included.
0 00	.....	681 00	" included
2 84	.....	1337 84	" included.
1 00	....	336 46	" included.
7 25	.....	296 25	" included.
...	.....	24 00	
5 00	.....	834 89	" included.
4 5	.....	32 49	" included.
5 84	....	211 84	" included.
4 64	.....	26 90	" included.
1 00	.....	3 00	
9 50	.....	33 50	" included.
7 00	.....	24 00	" included.
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DR. *G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.*

1880.				
June	2	To Balance in Treasury		$239 52
"		To cash from Grace, Brandywine Hundred		5 00
"		" " Calvary, " "		5 00
"		" " Immanuel, New Castle		88 00
"		" " St. Thomas', Newark		30 00
"		" " St James', Stanton		25 00
"		" " St. James', Newport		7 00
"		" " Christ, Delaware City, for 1878		13 30
"		" " St. Anne's, Appoquinimink		45 00
"		" " St. Peter's, Smyrna		45 00
"		" " Ascension, Claymont		32 00
"		" " St. Paul's, Georgetown, on acct.		14 00
"		" " St. Peter's, Lewes, "		11 00
"		" " St. Luke's, Seaford, "		27 75
"		" " St. Mark's, Millsboro		3 00
"		" " Christ, Broad Creek, & St. Philip's, Laurel.		14 00
"		" " St. Mark's, Little Creek		2 00
"		" " St. John's, Greenville		7 00
"		" " St. George's, Indian River		8 00
"		" " Grace, Baltimore Mills		2 00
"	7	" " Trinity Church, Wilmington, for 1878		75 00
Dec.	20	" " St. John Baptist, Milton		5 00
1881.				
Feb.	5	" " Trinity Church, Wilmington, on acct. 1879		75 00
Apr.	20	" " St. John's, Wilmington, for 1879		50 00
May	2	" " Christ, Christiana, for 1880		85 00
"	25	" " St. Andrew's, Wilmington, for 1880		175 00
"	28	" " Calvary, Wilmington, for 1880		35 00
"		" " Christ, Milford, for 1879		30 00
"	11	" " Trinity, Wilmington, for 1879		50 00
"		" " St. Peter's, Lewes, for 1879		9 00
				1212 75

Gregg Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware. CR.

1880.					
June	3	By cash	paid	Sexton St. Philip's Church, Laurel	$ 5 00
"	5	"	"	G. H. Bates, Sec., expenses on Journal, etc.	15 46
"	8	"	"	Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.	356 00
July	1	"	"	Ferris Bros.	135 24
"	1	"	"	" "	2 94
"	13	"	"	James & Webb	5 00
Oct.	4	"	"	S. M. Curtis, for General Convention	84 00
1881.					
May	30	"	"	Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D	409 00
1881.					
June	1.			Balance in Treasury	199 93
					1212 57

Examined and found correct.

J. P. ARMSTRONG,
JAMES PONDER.

[SUPPLEMENTARY.]

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.

1881. DR.

June 1	To Balance in Treasury			$ 199 93
"	To Cash from	Ascension, Claymont		35 00
"	" "	Grace, Brandywine Hundred		8 00
"	" "	Immanuel, New Castle		95 00
"	" "	St. James', Stanton		25 00
"	" "	St. Thomas', Newark		30 00
"	" "	Christ, Delaware City, for 1879		20 00
"	" "	St. Anne's, Appoquinimink		40 00
"	" "	St. Peter's, Smyrna		45 00
"	" "	St. John Baptist, Milton		5 00
"	" "	St. Paul's, Georgetown, for 1879		11 00
"	" "	" " on acct. 1880		14 00
"	" "	St. Peter's Lewes, on acct 1880		15 00
"	" "	St. George's, Indian River		8 00
"	" "	St. Philip's, Laurel		14 00
"	" "	St. Mark's, Millsboro		3 00
"	" "	Grace Church, Baltimore Mills		2 00
"	" "	St. John's, Greenville		7 00
"	" "	St. Mark's, Little Creek		2 00
"	" "	Calvary, Brandywine Hundred		5 06
"	" "	St. Luke's, Seaford, for 1879		12 25
"	" "	" " on acct. 1880		8 75
" 7	" "	Christ Church, Dover, on acct. 1880		45 00

G. Chandler, Treasurer. in account with the Diocese of Delaware.

1881. CR.

June 1	By cash paid	Sexton of Calvary Church, Wilmington		$ 5 00
"	" "	S. M. Curtis, for expenses on Journals, &c		30 01
" 2	" "	Dr. DuBois, for printing programmes		3 50
" 7	" "	Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D		330 00

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

DR.

1880.			
May 29	To Cash	Balance in Bank	$ 75
" 31	"	Calvary Church, Wilmington	4 50
"	"	St. Peter's Church, Smyrna	5 18
June 15	"	St James' Church, Newport	2 16
" 16	"	Christ Church, Delaware City	4 00
July 8	"	St. James' Church, Stanton	2 25
" 20	"	Trinity Church, Wilmington	6 72
" 22	"	St John's Church, Wilmington	10 56
Aug. 4	"	Interest on $1000 Wil. City, due July 1st	30 00
Sept. 30	"	6 mos. interest J. Morrow, due Sept. 1st	150 00
Oct. 2	"	" " on $8000 P. & E. bonds	240 00
1881.			
Jan. 19	"	Christ Church, Dover, for 1880	11 83
Feb. 15	"	6 mos. interest $1000 City Loan, due Jan. 1st	30 00
Mar. 3	"	St. John Baptist Church, Milton	5 00
" 8	"	6 mos. interest J. Morrow, due 1st, interest reduced to 5 per cent	125 00
April 2	"	Received from P. R. R. Co. in payment of $8000 P. & E. R. R. Co. bonds	8000 00
" 3	"	6 mos. interest on above bonds	240 00
" 4	"	A. Higgins, 7 days interest on bond and mortgage to 9th, interest 5 per cent	7 78
May 5	"	St. Thomas' Church, Newark	3 12
" 28	"	Calvary Church	4 00
" 31	"	Legacy of Miss Ann Johns	526 15
	Total		9409 00
	To Cash Balance in Bank		594 00

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

		CR.
1880.		
Oct. 2	By Cash paid Rt. Rev. A. Lee	$ 420 00
1881.		
Apr. 4	By cash paid A. Higgins for mortgage on farm near Delaware City, (5 per cent.)	8000 00
"	" " Rt Rev. A. Lee	395 00
	Balance Cash in Bank	594 00
	Total	$9409 00

NVESTMENTS.

Bond and Mortgage James Morrow	$5,000
" " A. Higgins	8,000
Wilmington City Loan, 6 per cent	1,000
Cash in Bank	594
Total	$14,594

June 2d, 1881. We, the undersigned, a committee appointed to audit the above account, hereby certify the same to be correct.

EDWIN R. PAYNTER,
WM. LUKE.

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in Account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

DISABLED CLERGY FUND.

DR.

1881.			
May 29	To Cash Balance in Bank		$393 09
June 4	" Convention at Laurel		11 26
" 8	" Ascension Church, Claymont		2 80
Aug. 4	" Interest on City Loan, due Aug 1st, $1 50		
"	" " " " May 1st, 30 00		31 50
" 18	" E. T. Warner		10 00
Sept. 27	" Rev. B. J. Douglass		20 00
"	" Charles Bullock		25 00
Oct. 1	" Transferred from 1st Annuity Fund		68 00
" 2	" 6 mos. interest on P. & E. R. R. Bonds		30 00
Dec. 27	" St. John's Church,		11 76
"	" Immanuel Church, New Castle		10 70
1881.			
Jan. 3	" Ascension Church, Claymont		4 75
" 7	" St. Paul's Church, Georgetown		10 00
"	" Rev. B. J. Douglass		10 00
" 8	" St. Thomas' Church, Newark		6 30
" 12	" Christ Church, Delaware City		1 53
"	" St. James' Church, Stanton		3 00
" 19	" St Anne's Church, Middletown		5 00
Feb. 15	" 6 mos. interest on City Loan, due Oct. 1, '80		10 50
"	" " " " " Nov. 1, '80		30 00
"	" " " " " Feb. 1, '81		1 50
Mar. 7	" St. Peter's Church, Smyrna		10 00
Apr. 2	" Pa. R. R. Co., in payment of $1000 P. & E. R. R. Co. Bond		1000 00
" 4	" 6 mos. interest on above bond		30 00
May 18	" Calvary Church, Wilmington		10 00
" 19	" St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington		50 00
"	" Rt. Rev. A. Lee		25 00
" 20	" 6 mos int. on City Loan, Apr. 1 and May 1		40 50
" 26	" Calvary Church, Wilmington		5 00
" 31	" Special collections transferred from 1st Annuity account		118 28
	Total		$1985 47
	To Cash Balance in Bank		$1555 47

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

DISABLED CLERGY FUND.

CR.

1880.			
June 24	By Cash paid Rev. K. J. Stewart.....	Jan., July & Aug.	$ 50 00
July 20	" " " " " "		50 00
Aug. 18	" Transferred to 1st Annuity Fund.....		10 00
Sept. 27	" Paid Rev. K. J. Stewart.....		20 00
Oct. 2	" " " " " "	Sept. Oct. & Nov.	80 00
"	" " " " " "		20 00
Dec. 4	" " " " " "	Dec., Jan. & Feb.	100 00
1881.			
Mar. 3	" " " " " "	Mar. Apr. & May.	100 00
	By Cash Balance in Bank.....		1555 47
	Total.....		1985 47

INVESTMENTS.

Wilmington City Loan 6 per cent.....	1,400 00
Cash in Bank.....	1,555 47
	$2,955 47

June 2d. We, the undersigned, committee appointed to audit the above account, hereby certify that the same is correct.

EDWIN R. PAYNTER,
WM. LUKE.

FUND FOR RELIEF OF DISABLED CLERGY.

RECEIPTS.

Collection at Convention 1880			$11 26
From Churches, Ascension	$10 55		
" " St. John's, Wilmington	36 76		
" " St. Andrew's, "	50 00		
" " Trinity, "	25 00		
" " Calvary, "	15 00		
" " Christ's, Christiana Hundred	20 00		
" " Immanuel, New Castle	25 70		
" " St James', Stanton	3 00		
" " St Thomas', Newark	6 30		
" " Christ's, Delaware City	3 81		
" " St. Anne's, Middletown	5 00		
" " St. Peter's, Smyrna	10 00		
" " Christ's, Dover	20 00		
" " St. Paul's, Georgetown	10 00		
" " St. Luke's Seaford	3 00		
			244 12
From Individuals, Bishop Lee	$25 00		
" " V. DuPont	25 00		
" " Charles Bullock	25 00		
" " Rev. B. J. Douglass	30 00		
" " E. T. Warner	10 00		
" " Geo. H. Bates	10 00		
" " S. M. Curtis	10 00		
" " Rev. J. A. Stone	10 00		
" " F. A. Curtis	5 00		
" " Rev. G. W. Johnson	3 00		
			153 00
Interest from Investments			174 00
Total			$582 38
Paid Rev. K. J. Stewart $420			

AN ACT

TO INCORPORATE THE TRUSTEES OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met, (two-thirds of each branch thereof concurring):

SECTION 1. That the Hon. James Booth, Doctor James W. Thompson, William T. Read, Esq., Caleb S. Layton, Esq., and General Richard Mansfield, be and they are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic, by the name of "The Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware," and by that name shall have perpetual succession; and may purchase, take and receive, by deed, gift or otherwise, any property, real, personal or mixed, and have and hold the same; contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded as natural persons.

SECTION 2. The number of Trustees of said corporation shall hereafter be seven, one of whom shall be the Bishop of the Diocese *ex officio*; the remaining six shall be elected by the annual Convention of the Diocese of Delaware as follows:

At the next ensuing annual Convention of said Diocese, the said six Trustees shall be elected; and immediately upon their election their terms shall be apportioned by lot in such manner as said Convention may direct for one, two, three, four, five and six years respectively, and at every annual Convention thereafter one Trustee shall be elected for the term of six years. The said Trustees shall continue in office until their successors are duly elected, and any vacancy may be filled as provided by the Diocesan Canons, or in the absence of such provisions by the said annual Convention.

SECTION 3. The said corporation shall, hereafter, have power to accept and administer any trust for the benefit of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the said Diocese or of any parish therein, or for any religious, eleemosynary, charitable, educational or benevolent purpose within the limit of said Diocese or any parish of the same, and to that end to take legal title to lands which may be purchased or otherwise legally acquired by it for Church sites, parsonages, schools, hospitals, asylums or other purposes within the scope of this act; to accept funds to be invested in lands for such purposes, and also to receive funds

in trust, to hold the same and from time to time, to reinvest such funds in interest bearing securities and apply the income thereof to the purchase of lands for the like purposes; and in all such cases to manage and control such property for the uses declared in the instrument of such gifts or conveyances, or in the absence of express direction as shall seem best to said corporation, and generally to accept and administer any and all trusts of real and personal property which may be committed to it by individuals, bodies corporate and politic, by any court, or by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in said Diocese, or by the authorities of any parish therein. The said corporation shall also have power to be appointed as executor or administrator with the will annexed, and when so appointed shall not be required to give security, except in such case and in such manner and amount as the register of wills who shall grant the letters testamentary, or of administration therein may deem necessary to secure the payment of debts, and any oath or affirmation required by law to be taken in the due execution of the powers herein granted, may be made or taken by the president or treasurer of said corporation.

SECTION 4. The said corporation shall have power in the execution of the trusts contemplated by this act, subject to the direction of the donors, to sell and convey, mortgage, lease, or otherwise dispose of the said property, and to receive and receipt for the purchase, or other, money received from the transfer or mortgage of the same, without any liability on the part of any purchaser, grantee or lessee with respect to the application of the money or other security or property paid or delivered to said corporation.

SECTION 5. The said corporation may have and use a common seal, and from time to time may enact by-laws for its government and providing for all necessary details in the management of its business and the selection of its officers and agents, and the same may alter, amend or repeal, provided the same be not repugnant to the constitution or laws of the United States or of this State.

SECTION 6. That the legislature hereby reserves the power of revoking, altering and amending this act: but such revocation, alteration or amendment shall in no case divert the property, funds, money or rights acquired under its provisions; nor divest them from the purposes herein expressed; but such property, funds, money and rights of said corporation, in case of such revocation, shall enure to the said annual Convention, for the uses and purposes herein before mentioned.

Passed Feb. 6, 1845. Renewed and amended April 7, 1881.

FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORT.

TO THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE:

Report of.....Church,

For the year ending June 1, 18..

REV.... ....Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, ; Adult, ; Total,.....
Confirmed.....
Communicants- Number last reported.....
Removed, ; Died, ; Lost, ; Added ... .
Present number..... .....
Marriages.... ....
Funerals ....
Sunday Schools & Bible Classes—Teachers,
Scholars,

Public Services ....

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan, ; Domestic, ; .....
Foreign, ; Total..... ....
Disabled Clergy Fund of Diocese.....
Charitable..... .....
Diocesan Charges.....
Societies—Education, ; Bible. ; Prayer Book, &c. ;
Endowment of Episcopate.....,....
Parochial..... ....
Other Purposes..... . .....
Total.....

REMARKS:

OFFERINGS REQUIRED BY CANON.

Missions in the Diocese, per Missionary and Education Committee—Semi-annually.

Treasurer, BAUDUY SIMMONS, Wilmington.

Assessment for Diocesan Charges.

Treasurer, Gregg Chandler, Wilmington.

Endowment of Episcopate, and Fund for Relief of Sick and Disabled Clergymen.

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LIST

OF ALL THE

Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church,

Canonically resident in the Diocese of Delaware.

JUNE 7, 1882.

*Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.
*Rev. John Baker Clemson, D. D., Rector Emeritus of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont
*Rev. George W. DuBois, D. D., Rector of Calvary Church, Wilmington.
*Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Georgetown.
*Rev. William R. Ellis, Rector of St. John's Church, Greenville, St. Mark's, Millsboro, and Grace Church, Baltimore Mills P. O. Millsboro.
Rev. William J. Frost, D. D.
*Rev. Lewis W. Gibson, Rector of Christ Church, Dover.
*Rev. William B. Gordon, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.
Rev. George Hall, residing at Lewes.
*Rev. William D. Hanson, Rector of St James' Church, Stanton, and St. James'. Newport.; P. O., Faulkland.
*Rev. David Howard, Rector of Christ Church, Delaware City.
*Rev. Lewis H. Jackson, Rector of Christ Church, Milford.
*Rev. William McCaulley Jefferis, Professor in Delaware College, and Rector of Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred.; P. O., Newark.
*Rev. George W. Johnson, Rector of St. George's Church, Indian River, St. Mark's. Little Creek, and Missionary. P. O., Georgetown.
*Rev. Wm G. W. Lewis, Rector of St. Anne's Church, Middletown.
*Rev. T. Gardiner Littell, Rector of St. John's Church, Wilmington.
*Rev. Henry B. Martin, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington.
Rev Thomas McClintock, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Lewes.
Rev. John Linn McKim, residing at Georgetown.
*Rev. R. Heber Murphy, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont, and Missionary at Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred. P. O, Claymont.
*Rev. Chas. E. Murray, Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.
Rev. William A. Newbold, Secretary of the American Church Missionary Society. P. O., New York.
Rev. Henry L. Phillips.
*Rev. Dudley D. Smith, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred. P. O. Wilmington.
*Rev. Charles S. Spencer, D. D., Rector of Immanuel Church, New Castle.
*Rev. Kensey Johns Stewart, D. D.
*Rev. Joseph A. Stone, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Newark.
Rev. Elias Weil, residing at Germantown, Philadelphia.

ALFRED LEE,

Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Delaware.

* Designates those entitled to seats in this Convention.

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES,

Certificates of whose election by their respective Churches were presented and approved.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY.

ASCENSION CHURCH, *Claymont.*—Wm. C. Lodge, Wm. Cloud.
GRACE CHURCH, *Brandywine Hd.*—Louis Smith, Wm. P. Cresson.
CALVARY CHURCH, *Brandywine Hd.*—B. Paschall Dixon,* David Shaw.*
ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, *Wilmington.*—Gregg Chandler, George H. Bates.
TRINITY CHURCH, *Wilmington.*—Horace Burr, M. D., Edward T. Canby.
CALVARY CHURCH, *Wilmington,*—Charles Cook, Joseph Jacquette.
ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, *Wilmington.*—Thomas C. Smith, Austin Harrington.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Christiana Hd.*—Wm. R. Brinckle, Charles Green.
IMMANUEL CHURCH, *New Castle.*—Thomas Holcomb, John H. Rodney.
ST. JAMES' CHURCH, *Stanton.*—W. H. Churchman, Alonzo Newlin.
ST. JAMES' CHURCH, *Newport.*—Wm. Jenks Fell, J. Poulson Armstrong *
ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, *Newark.*—S. M. Curtis, Wm. Cooch.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Delaware City.*—Joseph S. Dunlap,* Peter Kline.
ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, *Middletown.*—H. N. Willitts, W. A. Comegys.

KENT COUNTY.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, *Smyrna.*—Dr. Wm. Cummins, Edward R. Sipple.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Dover.*—George P. Fisher, James Kirk.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Milford,*—Dr. Nathan Pratt, R. H. Gilman.

SUSSEX COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, *Georgetown.*—Edwin R. Paynter, J. W. Messick, M. D.
ST. PETER'S CHURCH, *Lewes.*—Wm. P. Orr, W. B. Yardley.
ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, *Seaford.*—Dr. Hugh Martin, Ed. Ross.
ST. MARK'S CHURCH, *Millsboro.*—Henry C. Frame, Joseph K. Frame.
CHRIST CHURCH, *Broad Creek* and ST. PHILIP'S *Laurel.*— } Edw. Fowler, M.D., Benj. J. Moore.
ST. JOHN BAPTIST, *Milton.*—N. D. Welch, S. W. T. Dashiel.
ST. MARK'S CHURCH, *Little Creek*—John T. Phillips,* Wm. J. Ralph.*
ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, *Greenville.*—Joseph S. Jones,* Cyrus Ward.
ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, *Indian River.*—Wm. C. Burton, Peter Robinson.*
GRACE CHURCH, *Baltimore Mills.*—Not represented.

*Absent.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

CHRIST CHURCH, MILFORD, June 7, 1882.

This being the day appointed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware, for the meeting of the Annual Convention, the Bishop of the Diocese and a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled at nine o'clock in the morning, in Christ Church, Milford.

The Convention was called to order by the Bishop. The Secretary of the last Convention, by direction of the Bishop, proceeded to call the names of the Clergy of the Diocese entitled to seats, when the following answered to their names and took their seats, viz :

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.
Rev. J. B. Clemson, D. D.
" Geo. W. DuBois, D. D.
" B. J. Douglass,
" Wm. R. Ellis,
" Wm. B. Gordon,
" Wm. D. Hanson,
" David Howard,
" Lewis H. Jackson,
" Wm. McCaulley Jefferis,
Rev. Geo. W. Johnson,
" Wm. G. W. Lewis,
" T. Gardiner Littell,
" Henry B. Martin,
" R. H. Murphy,
" Chas. E. Murray,
" D. D. Smith,
" Chas. S. Spencer, D. D.
" J. A. Stone:

The Bishop appointed the Rev. Dr. Spencer, S. M. Curtis and Dr. Cummins, a committee to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates.

Of the Lay Delegates reported by the committee as duly elected, the following answered to their names and took their seats, viz:

Wm. C. Lodge,	Wm. R. Brinckle,
William Cloud,	Wm. Jenks Fell,
Louis Smith,	S. M. Curtis,
Wm. P. Cresson,	Wm. Cooch,
Gregg Chandler,	Wm. Cummins, M. D.,
Geo. H. Bates,	Geo. P. Fisher.
Horace Burr, M. D.,	Edwin R. Paynter,
Edward T. Canby,	J. W. Messick, M. D.,
Charles Cook,	W. B. Yardley,
Joseph Jacquette,	Joseph K. Frame,
Thos. B. Smith,	Edward Fowler, M. D.,
Austin Harrington,	Cyrus Ward,
Charles Green,	William C. Burton.

The Bishop announced the next business in order to be the election of Secretary, and appointed Rev. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Chandler tellers to conduct the election.

The Rev. Mr. Littell nominated Mr. S. M. Curtis, and there being no other nomination, by unanimous consent, a ballot was cast by the Bishop for Mr. Curtis; and no other votes having been cast, the Bishop announced as the result of the ballot that Mr. Curtis had been duly elected, and the Convention was organized for business.

On motion of Dr. Cummins, the Secretary was authorized to appoint an assistant.

The Secretary announced that he had appointed Mr. Geo. H. Bates.

Dr. Cummins moved that the Rules of Order of the last Convention be adopted as the Rules of Order of the present session.

Mr. Fell moved that the Rules of Order as proposed should be amended by adding thereto an additional rule to be numbered 15, as follows.

The Secretary shall keep a calendar of business, on which reports from Committees, resolutions which lie over, and other matters undisposed of shall be placed in the order in which they are presented, and each item shall be acted upon in the order in which it appears on the calendar, unless otherwise ordered by a two-thirds vote of the Convention.

The motion for the adoption of the amendment was lost, and the rules as proposed were adopted as follows.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, nor shall afterward stand unless to address the chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

6. If a question in debate contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

7. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the house, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered as before the House unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing, when required.

10. When any question is before the House, it shall be determined on before any thing new is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the Chair.

13. The Journals of the Convention shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and a copy sent to each member of the Convention.

14. The Charge or Sermon, when delivered by the Bishop before the Convention, shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and one copy sent to each Clergyman, and ten copies to each Vestry in the diocese.

On motion of Dr. Cummins, it was

Resolved, That clergymen of this Diocese not entitled to seats, clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and candidates for Holy Orders, who may be present, be invited to attend the sittings of the Convention.

Under this resolution was present the Rev. Thomas McClintock of the Diocese of Delaware.

Mr. Curtis presented a printed memorial from the Rev. William J. Frost D. D. which, he stated, had been handed to him with the request that he should present the same to the Convention.

On motion of Mr. Curtis it was ordered that the memorial should be referred, without being read, (it being in print,) to a Special Committee.

The Bishop appointed as such committee the Rev. Messrs. Douglas and Smith and Mr. Lodge.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, it was

Resolved, That this Convention will meet daily at 9 o'clock, A. M. to transact business; take a recess from 1 to 3 o'clock, and from 6 to 8 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Fell, on behalf of the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware, acting as a committee of the Convention, to which was referred, by the last Convention certain resolutions proposed by the Rev. Mr. Hanson, submitted the following report :

Mr. Fell moved that the report be made the special order for the afternoon, to be taken up for consideration immediately after the reading of the Bishop's address, which motion prevailed.

Mr. Chandler presented his account as the Treasurer of the Convention, and the Bishop appointed Messrs. William P. Cresson and Dr. Martin a committee to audit the same.

Mr. Chandler presented the account of the Secretary for his official expenses during the past year, amounting to $9.42, and the Treasurer was authorized to pay the same.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Littell, the House then took a recess for Divine Service.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Wm. G. W. Lewis, Rector of St. Anne's Church, Middletown, and the Rev. David Howard, Rector of Christ Church, Delaware City. The Litany by the Rev. Dr. Clemson, Rector Emeritus of the Church of the Ascension.

The 138th Hymn was sung. The ante-Communion service was read by the Rev. Dr. DuBois, Rector of Calvary Church, Wilmington, who also read the Epistle and Gospel. After the singing of the 290th Hymn, the Bishop proceeded to deliver an historical discourse on the early settlement of the Church in Delaware.

In the Communion service, the Bishop was assisted by the Rev. Mr. Hanson, and in the distribution of the elements, by the Rev. Drs. DuBois and Clemson.

The Offertory was appropriated towards the re-building of St. Anne's Church, Middletown.

At the the conclusion of the services, the Convention resumed business.

The names of delegates who had not previously been present were called, and the following who were not present at the opening of the session, answered to their names: Messrs. Wm. H. Churchman, Alonzo Newlin, Peter Kline, James Kirk, Arthur N. Gilman, Edward Ross, and Hugh Martin M. D.

The hour for recess having arrived, the Bishop declared the House adjourned until 3 o'clock.

CHRIST CHURCH, 3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention re-assembled. The Secretary read the minutes of the morning session, and they were approved.

The names of Delegates not present at the opening of the Convention being called, the following answered to their names:—Messrs. N. D. Welch, S. W. T. Dashiel, Thomas Holcomb, John H. Rodney, Benj. J. Moore, E. R. Sipple, Wm. P. Orr, Horatio N. Willitts, and Nathan Pratt, M. D.

The Bishop then read his annual Address.

ADDRESS TO THE CLERICAL AND LAY MEMBERS OF THE NINETY-SECOND ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

Dear Brethren: The rendering of our annual statements of work performed in the Church of God, professedly in his service and for the honor of his great name, may well remind us of the great final audit when "every one of us shall give account of himself to God." Under this constant solemn impression should we live and labour. May our feeble endeavors abide the scrutiny of that day "when the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is." We, dear brethren of the

ministry, under the consciousness of manifold imperfections and short comings, find nought to glory in, much to lament. Our trust must be in the merits of Him in whom alone we have righteousness and strength.

CLERICAL CHANGES,

since the time of our last Convention, have been as follows.

The Rev. John W. Kaye resigned his position as Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, October 1, 1881. He has been succeeded by the Rev. Charles E. Murray, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania, who entered upon his duties, November 13th, following.

The Rev. Frederick Thompson resigned, Nov. 15, 1881, the charge as Missionary of St. John Baptist Church, Milton, and transferred his flourishing school for boys to Faulkland, New Castle Co. I visited the school on the 15th March last, and administered the rite of Confirmation to an interesting class, five of whom were pupils of the school.

The Rev. Henry B. Martin, M. D., from the Diocese of Maryland, accepted a call to the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Wilmington, and took charge of the same on the first Sunday in Advent, Nov. 27th, 1881.

The Rev. David Howard resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Philips' Laurel, from and after Christmas day, 1881. He accepted a call from the Vestry of Christ Church, Delaware City, March 10th, 1882, and began his services there on the the next Sunday.

The Rev. Lewis H. Jackson of North Carolina, was called to the Rectorship of Christ Church, Milford, and took charge of the same, Nov. 27th, 1881. The Parish had remained vacant since the removal of the Rev. Charles E. Milnor, June 1st, preceding.

The Rev. George Hall resigned the Rectorship of St. Peter's Church, Lewes, from and after December 31st, 1881. He has been succeeded by the Rev. Thomas McClintock, who entered upon his duties June 4, 1882.

ACCESSIONS TO THE DIOCESE HAVE BEEN,

The Rev.	Frederick Thompson,	from	Connecticut,	June 25, 1881.
" "	Charles E. Murray,	"	Pennsylvania,	Nov. 16, 1881.
" "	Henry B. Martin, M. D.,	"	Maryland,	" 25, 1881.
" "	Lewis H. Jackson,	"	North Carolina,	Dec. 1, 1881.
" "	Thomas McClintock,	"	New Jersey,	May 31, 1882.

DISMISSED.

The Rev. Edwin C. Alcorn to Fond du Lac, Oct. 7, 1881.
" " John W. Kaye to New Jersey, Dec. 12, 1881.
" " Charles E. Milnor to Penna., March 15, 1881.

CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS.

Mr. Robert H. Wright, Jr., for Priests' Orders, admitted June 15, 1881.
Mr. Martin B. Dunlap, for " " " " 25, 1881.
The Rev. Frederick Thompson, Deacon.

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

Rev. Joseph A. Stone, Rev. Charles S. Spencer, D. D., Rev. Benj. J. Douglass.

On the 23rd June, I assisted in the services at the consecration, by Bishop Whittle, of the newly-erected chapel of the Virginia Theological Seminary.

On the 25th June, I consulted with the Standing Committee in reference to an application made by the Vestry of Trinity Church, Wilmington, for my consent to the sale and alienation of the Chapel and Rectory belonging to said church. Very strong reasons were urged by the Vestry to show that such a sale was indispensable to the future prosperity of the Church, and assurance was given that the property would not be conveyed for any unseemly use and purpose. After receiving from the Standing Committee their advice and consent to such a step, under the provisions of Canon 24, Sec. 3 of Title 1, I notified the Vestry of my consent to the sale and alienation requested.

The Church has already commenced the erection of a new house of worship, which the congregation hope to occupy soon after they are required to vacate the present chapel. The regular ministrations of a settled Rector have given a new impulse and activity to parochial work. Services have been resumed in the Old Swedes Church, with encouraging attendance, where the Rector has been assisted by the Rev. L R. Lewis of the Diocese of Pennsylvania. A very interesting class was confirmed there on the 11th May, when fifteen persons were presented for the apostolic rite; one invalid was afterwards confirmed privately.

A dreadful shock startled and saddened our whole country on the 2nd July, 1881, when the President of the United States was stricken down by the hand of an assassin, in the meridian of his strength,

and in the height of his honor and usefulness. For more than two months following, the land was agitated by alternations of hope and fear, as the condition of the sufferer appeared favorable or discouraging, until he breathed his last on the 19th of September. The anxiety and grief occasioned by this tragical event pervaded all classes of his fellow citizens, and were not confined to his own country. Remarkable manifestations of sympathy came from abroad, and especially from the sovereign and people of the country to which we are united by so many ties of kindred, language and faith. For the expression in our public worship of the feelings of devotion called forth by this calamity, I issued special forms of prayer and supplication, particularly for September 13th, recommended by the Governor of the State as a day of prayer in behalf of the President, and for September 26, appointed as a day of National fasting and mourning on account of the fatal termination of his injuries. Both these mournful occasions were generally and reverently observed. I also appointed a special service for the Sunday after Ascension Day, May 21, widely observed throughout our church as a day of intercession for missions and the progress of Christ's kingdom throughout the world.

On the 13th November, I preached the sermon at the opening of the renewed Church, of St. Paul's, Georgetown. While this was a rebuilding of the church upon the old foundations it is difficult to recognize the former dilapidated, unsightly building in the present new and beautiful edifice, one of the most attractive in the Diocese. The alteration was made none too soon for the safety, as well as the comfort, of the worshippers. For this very great improvement, as well as for a neat and convenient chapel, the congregation and Diocese are largely indebted to the persevering efforts and liberality of the energetic Rector.

On the 16th of April, 1882, I visited and administered the rite of confirmation in Christ Church, Delaware City, from which church I, as well as the congregation, had been excluded for more than nine months on account of the forcible seizure and occupation of the consecrated house. Under this grievous invasion of its rights, the Parish was constrained to apply to the civil tribunals for relief. After being subjected to great expense and vexatious delays, as well as to the loss of their religious privileges, the case came on for trial at the February session of the Superior Court in New Castle Country, when it was determined, as the result of the trial, that the pretended election on which the attempt to wrest the church from its lawful custodians was based, was null and void. Upon the recovery of their building immediate steps were taken by the Vestry to obtain the services of

a Pastor, and the Rev. D. Howard was called, as above mentioned, to the Rectorship. It is gratifying to learn that Mr. Howard's services are highly acceptable, and that the prospects of this singularly and sorely afflicted Parish are now cheering.

On the 7th of May, I officiated, the first time since 1871, in old St. Anne's Church, near Middletown, and confirmed 5 persons. Our assemblage in this venerable edifice, filled as it was with a large congregation, would of itself have been interesting and pleasant, had it not been for the recent calamity which occasioned it. On the 2nd of May, the beautiful Church in the village, one of the finest of our consecrated buildings, erected and set apart for the worship of God ten years since, was destroyed by fire. To a devout member of the Church, it is as painful to see the house of God consumed, as to behold his own dwelling in flames. The congregation intend without delay to set about the work of re-building, and while taxing themselves to the extent of their ability, will be glad to be aided by the liberality of their fellow churchmen. If one member suffer, all the members suffer with it.

The Rev. R. H. Murphy, in addition to his parochial charge, has been acting as Missionary at Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred, since December 1st, 1881.

Severe rain storms occasioned a small attendance at St. George's, Indian River, and Chapel of the Comforter, and prevented any service being held at St. John's, Greenville. Our laborious Missionaries, Rev. Messrs. Johnson and Ellis, were thereby deprived of the satisfaction of presenting some of their candidates for Confirmation.

The chapels at Long Neck, and Ellis Grove, have been much improved in appearance and convenience. The proposed new Church at Greenville has not yet been commenced, but I hope will not be much longer delayed.

The only vacant Parishes are St. John Baptist, Milton, St. Luke's, Seaford, which has been without a Rector for eighteen months, and St. Philip's, Laurel, resigned as above mentioned by the Rev. D. Howard after Christmas. The Church at Seaford needs, and is about to receive, considerable repairs, and I earnestly hope that it may soon be re-occupied by the congregation with the ministrations of a settled Pastor. The kind assistance of their brethren would be highly gratifying and helpful to the Parish.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Church of the Ascension, Claymont,	3	persons.
Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred,	6	"
St. John's, Wilmington,	7	"
St. Andrew's, "	9	"
Trinity, " Old Church,	16	"
" " Chapel,	10	"
Calvary, "	15	"
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	4	"
Immanuel, New Castle, (1 in private,)	10	"
St. James, Newport,	4	"
St. James, Stanton,	8	"
St. John's School, Faulkland,	6	"
St. Thomas, Newark,	4	"
Christ Church, Delaware City,	2	"
St. Anne's, Middletown,	5	"
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	5	"
Christ Church, Dover,	9	"
Christ Church, Milford,	8	"
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	3	"
Chapel of the Comforter, Long Neck,	1	"
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	1	"
St. Philip's, Laurel,	2	"
Total,	138	"

We mourn the loss of some of our excellent and faithful Laymen, who have departed this life since our last Convention, and I deeply regret to mention the names of Mr. B. Simmons, the Treasurer of our Diocesan Missionary Committee, and of Mr. Manlove R. Carlisle, late Senior Warden of the Church in which we are now convened. No vacancy has been occasioned by death in the number of our Clergy, an exemption with which we have been favored for the last five years. In the Church at large some of the most eminent and honored of our Ministers have been called during the year from labor to rest. This mortuary record embraces such acknowledged leaders as Vinton, Washburn, Cotton Smith and others, widely known and honored. The Rt. Rev. John Barrett Kerfoot, Bishop of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, will be greatly missed in the general counsels of our Church, as well as in his own Diocese. His scholarship and attainments were of a high order. He was most exemplary in his life, and faithful in the discharge of the duties of his sacred office. The vacancy occasioned by his lamented death, on the 10th of July last, has been sup-

plied by the election of the Rev. Cortlandt Whitehead, to whose consecration I gave my assent on the 13th of December, 1881.

In closing my 41st annual address I beg leave to acknowledge, gratefully, the many tokens of confidence and affection received from the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese, and devoutly to own the helping, sustaining hand of an ever gracious God.

ALFRED LEE.

The Bishop then announced that the special report of the Committee on Assessment of Parishes for the Episcopal Fund, being the special order at this time, was before the Convention for consideration—and called the Rev. Dr. Spencer to the chair.

To the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Delaware, Meeting at Milford, June 7, 1882.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, ACTING AS A COMMITTEE OF THE CONVENTION TO WHOM WAS REFERRED RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED IN THE CONVENTION OF 1881, BY REV. WM. D. HANSON. JOURNAL PAGES 10, 11 AND 12.

Your Committee to whom was referred the resolutions above named, respectfully report that they have given them careful consideration and heartily approve of the same.

The fourth resolution, we think, would be improved by a modification making the rate of interest to be charged on balances this year, four per cent., with an annual increase of one half of one per cent, until legal interest is reached, instead of the rate proposed in the original resolution.

We have, accordingly, amended the resolutions in this particular and submit them to you, herewith, in which form we recommend them to you for your adoption.

We append a list of the respective parishes, showing the apportionment assigned to each, the amounts paid on such apportionments, the balances unpaid by the respective parishes, the assessment this year under the proposed resolutions, the assessment last year and the increase or decrease the change will effect in the assessment on each parish. From this table a clear understanding can be had of the effect of the adoption of the resolutions we recommend.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. D. ARMSTRONG,
GEO. H. BATES,
WM. JENKS FELL,
HENRY RIDGELY,

WHEREAS, the regular support and endowment of the Episcopate has, for many years, received attention from this Convention, and been dear to the hearts of many members of the Church in the diocese, and

WHEREAS, the Convention of 1880 apportioned among the several parishes the sum of $30,000 in pursuance of a resolution of the Convention of 1875, and

WHEREAS, a considerable sum had previously been contributed by parishes and individuals upon the express condition that such contributions be credited to the parishes in which the respective donors worshipped, as a payment on account of the said sum so to be apportioned, and

WHEREAS, it is very desirable that a regular support be given to our beloved Bishop, and that the endowment of the Episcopate be soon completed; therefore, be it

1. *Resolved*, that the salary of the Bishop of the diocese be fixed at fifteen hundred dollars per annum, which shall be paid to him by the Treasurer of the "Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the diocese of Delaware," in monthly installments of $125.

2. *Resolved*, that the treasurer of the "Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the diocese of Delaware," is hereby instructed to annually append to his report to the Convention, a list of all the parishes, stating the amount apportioned to each, the amount paid by each, the excess or deficiency of payments by each, and the amount of assessment upon each, computed in the manner hereinafter provided.

3. *Resolved*, that any parish which has or may hereafter contribute, either of itself or by its members, for the endowment of the Episcopate, the full amount apportioned to it under the aforenamed resolution shall, thereafter, be free from any assessment for the support of the Episcopate until such time as, by resolution of the Convention, $30,000 shall have been declared to be insufficient as an Episcopal Endowment Fund. Any parish which has or may hereafter contribute, in the manner aforesaid, an amount in excess of the sum now apportioned to it, such excess shall remain as a credit to it on account of any future apportionment.

4. *Resolved*, that the committee provided for in Canon X, be instructed to assess each parish, as its portion for the support of the Episcopate for the coming year, a sum equal to four per cent. on the balance of its apportionment unpaid, and for each succeeding year, increase the sum so assessed one-half of one per cent. upon the remaining balance until the sum assessed upon each parish for the Episcopal Fund shall be equal to six per cent. upon the balance of its apportionment remaining unpaid, after which the assessment shall continue at the rate of six per cent. upon such unpaid balance. Parishes that have paid their apportionment in full, or hereafter when they have done so, shall be exempt from assessment for the Episcopal fund by said committee, except in the manner provided for in the preceding resolution.

5. *Resolved*, that in the future, assessments under Canon X for the support of the Episcopate, be paid to the treasurer of the "Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Delaware," and shall become due, one-half within thirty days after the adjournment of the Convention, and the remainder, six months thereafter.

6. *Resolved*, that the Standing Committee on Canons be instructed to enquire whether any amendment of Canons X and XIII is necessary in order to give permanence to the above resolutions, and to report such alterations, if any, as they may consider necessary for that purpose.

7. *Resolved*, that the respective parishes are earnestly urged, as an act of duty, and in consideration of the terms of the above resolutions, to contribute to the Endowment Fund for the support of the Episcopate, the balances remaining unpaid upon the apportionment made upon them, respectively.

APPORTIONMENT.

NAME OF PARISH.	AMOUNT.	CREDIT.	BALANCE.	INTEREST.	CONVENTION EXPENSES.
Ascension, Claymont,	$ 900 00	$ 102 57	$ 797 43	$ 31 90	$ 8 00
Grace Church, Brandywine Hd.	400 00	22 70	377 30	15 09	4 00
Calvary, "	100 00	10 60	89 40	3 58	3 00
St. John's, Wilmington,	2,000 00	182 35	1,817 65	72 71	10 00
St. Andrew's, "	7,500 00	4,872 00	2,628 00	105 12	30 00
Trinity, "	3,000 00	238 88	2,761 12	110 44	22 00
Calvary, "	700 00	20 00	680 00	27 20	8 00
Christ, Christiana Hd,	2,250 00		2,250 00	90 00	20 00
Immanuel, New Castle,	3,500 00	3,505 96			25 00
St. James, Stanton,	1,600 00	2,089 37			8 co
" " Newport,	500 00	633 80			5 00
St. Thomas, Newark,	900 00	273 07	626 93	25 c8	8 00
Christ, Delaware City,	300 00	17 42	282 58	11 30	5 00
St. Anne's, Appoquinimink,	800 00	12 03	787 97	31 52	8 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	1,250 00	615 18	634 82	25 40	10 00
Christ, Dover,	1,000 00	73 31	926 69	37 07	10 00
" Milford,	800 00	125 00	675 00	27 00	6 00
St. John Baptist, Milton,	250 00	5 00	245 00	9 80	3 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	500 00	10 co	490 00	19 60	5 00
St. Peter's, Lewes,	500 00	100 00	400 00	16 00	5 00
St. George's, Indian River,	100 00		100 00	4 00	3 00
St. Luke's, Seaford,	600 00	11 94	588 c6	23 52	8 00
Christ, Broad Creek, St. Philip's, Laurel,	250 00	8 25	241 75	9 67	4 00
St. Mark's, Little Creek,	100 00		100 00	4 00	2 00
St. John's, Greenville,	100 00		100 00	4 00	3 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	50 00		50 00	2 00	2 00
Grace, Baltimore Mills,	50 00		50 00	2 00	2 00
	$30,000 00	$12,929 43	$17,699 70	$ 708 00	

Before the report was taken up, by unanimous consent, the Rev. J. A. Stone presented and read an abstract of the proceedings of the Standing Committee for the past year, as follows :—

The Standing Committee would report the following as an abstract of their proceedings during the past year. The committee have held but three meetings, as follows :—

1st meeting held at Wilmington, June 25th, 1881.

At this meeting a petition was laid before the committee, asking their consent to the sale of Church property belonging to Trinity Parish, Wilmington.

After a careful consideration of said petition, by the committee, their consent was given to said sale.

Also at the same meeting the committee signed the proper testimonials of Mr. Martin B. Dunlap, applying to become a candidate for the "Holy Order of Deacons."

2d meeting, held at Newcastle, November 28th, 1881.

Regular meeting, at which the consent of the committee was given to the consecration of the Rev. Cortlandt Whitehead, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Pittsburgh.

3d meeting, Milford, Del., June 6th, 1882.

At this meeting the Secretary read an abstract of the proceedings of the committee during the past year. The committee also gave their consent to the sale of Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred, to Mr. Wm. P. Cresson (a new church having been built for the Parish) who desires to preserve said church from unhallowed uses.

J. A. STONE,

Secretary.

The order of the day being under consideration, Rev. Mr. Jefferis offered the following resolution :—

Resolved, That the report of the committee be referred back to the same committee with directions and power to change the parochial assessment, after consultation with those in authority in the several parishes, so that the said parishes' assessment shall be more equitable.

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Bates, the resolutions under consideration were referred to the Committee of the Whole for immediate consideration, and

On his further motion, the House went into Committee of the whole, with the Rev. Mr. Lewis in the chair.

The Committee of the whole, through its chairman, the Rev. Mr. Lewis, reported back the resolutions referred to it with a recommendation that the same be amended by adding thereto an additianal resolution, as follows:—

Resolved, That the apportionment of the Episcopal fund among the several parishes is hereby amended so that the apportionments of certain parishes may be increased, and those of certain others decreased, as follows:

	Decrease.	*Increase.*
Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred,		100
St. Johns Church, Wilmington,		500
St. Andrews, "	1,250	
Trinity, "		250
Calvary, "		250
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	1000	
Immanuel, New Castle,		250
St. James', Stanton,		600
St. James', Newport,		250
St. Anne's, Middletown,	200	
St. Peters', Smyrna,		250

The foregoing changes having been voluntarily proposed by the parishes concerned, and the other parishes having agreed to the existing assessments, the amendment was adopted, and the resolutions as amended were adopted.

Dr. Martin, from the committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocese, reported that they had examined the same and found them correct.

(For Report, see Appendix.)

Dr. Burr presented the account of Mr. Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer of the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware; and the Chair appointed Messrs. Holcomb and Cooch a committee to examine the same.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Murphy, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention are due to the Bishop for his very valuable historical sermon of this morning, and

that a copy of the whole sermon be requested for publication, under Rule 14, and that 2000 copies of the same be published by the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Murray, it was

Resolved, That after the provisions of Rule of Order, number 14, are complied with, and 250 copies reserved for the use of the Bishop, Secretary, and Registrar, the remaining copies of the Bishop's sermon be distributed among the several parishes of the Diocese in proportion to their respective assessments to the Convention Fund.

Mr. Littell presented and read the report of the Registrar.

The Registrar reports that, during the past year, he has received twenty-six donations, from the Registrars of several Dioceses, the Rev. S. F. Hotchkin, the Rev. Dr. Frost, and the Rev. R. H. Murphy.

T. GARDINER LITTELL,
Registrar.

On motion of Mr. Fell, the Treasurer was directed to pay the bill for printing the report of the Committee on the apportionment of the Episcopal Fund.

On motion of Dr. Cummins, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be given to the Rector, Wardens and Vestry of Christ Church, and to the citizens of Milford for their kindness and hospitality, and that the usual compensation be paid to the Sexton of this Church.

Dr. Cummins moved that the next Convention be held in St. Luke's Church, Seaford.

Mr. Fell moved as a substitute, that a Committee be appointed to recommend a place for the meeting of the next Convention, to report on the following morning, which was adopted, and the motion as amended was adopted.

The Chair appointed as the Committee, Messrs. Hugh Martin, Cummins, and Wm. P. Orr.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Littell, the Convention proceeded to the election of one Trustee of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware, in place of Mr. Fell, whose term had expired.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Wm. Cooch tellers. The tellers reported that W. J. Fell had received all the votes cast by both Orders, and the Chair declared that Mr. Fell was elected for the term of six years.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Jefferis, the election of a Standing Committee was made the special order after divine service this evening.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the Secretary was directed to have five hundred copies of the Journal printed, and the Treasurer was authorized to pay the account for the same, when certified by the Secretary to be correct.

The Chair announced that the hour for recess had arrived, and declared the House adjourned till 8 o'clock this evening.

CHRIST CHURCH, 8 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention assembled to attend the Missionary meeting.

Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Spencer, and the Rev. Mr. Johnson. After the singing of the 424th Hymn, addresses were made by the Bishop, and the Rev. Mr. Jefferis. The usual offering was made for Missions in the Diocese, and after prayers, the Bishop closed with the benediction.

The House then resumed business.

The special order, election of the Standing Committee, being called for, the Bishop appointed the Rev. Messrs. Smith and Littell, tellers for the Clerical vote,

and Messrs. E. R. Paynter, and Benjamin J. Moore for the lay vote. The Rev. Mr. Douglass nominated the Rev. Dr. Spencer, Rev. Mr. Gibson, Rev. Mr. Stone, Messrs. S. M. Curtis, and Dr. Burr. The Tellers reported, and the Bishop announced that the above named gentlemen had been duly elected, having received all the votes cast.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Gordon, the House adjourned.

CHRIST CHURCH, June 8th, 1882.

The Convention assembled at 9 o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Messrs. Murphy and Gordon.

The House was called to order.

The Secretary read the minutes and they were approved.

Dr. Cummins, from the Committee to recommend a place for the meeting of the next Convention, reported a recomendation in favor of meeting in St. Luke's Church, Seaford.

Mr. Orr moved to substitute St Peter's Church, Lewes.

The question being taken, the amendment was adopted, and the report of the Committee as amended was adopted, and St. Peter's Church, Lewes, was selected as the place for the meeting of the next Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Clemson presented and read the report of the Missionary and Education Committee.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY & EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Receipts and Expenditures
From Churches, for General Purposes.

Ascension, Claymont,	$ 12	95
Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred,	12	57
St. John's, Wilmington, (Sunday School $27 75,)	47	78
St. Andrew's, " " " 50 00,	135	00
Trinity, "	25	00
Calvary, "	7	46
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	103	55
Immanuel, New Castle,	45	16
St. James', Newport,	3	70
St. James', Stanton,	15	00
St. Thomas', Newark,	3	77
Christ Church, Delaware City,	17	06
St. Anne's, Middletown,	7	00
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	31	11
Christ Church, Dover,	13	18
Christ Church, Milford,	5	00
St. George's, Ind. River, and Long Neck Chapel,	14	00
St. Philip's, Laurel,	3	00
St. Mark's, Little Creek,	25	00
St. Andrew's Chapel, Ellis Grove,	11	00
St. John's Greenville,	1	50
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	1	50
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	1	50
St. John's School, Faulkland,	5	00
Annual gathering of Episcopal Sunday Schools of city of Wilmington,	27	00
		$ 574 79

From Churches, Special.

St. John's, Wilmington, for building fund of St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,	10	00
Ladies of St. Andrew's, Wilmington, for Rev. W. R. Ellis,	30	00
St. Andrew's Sunday School for Church building at Middletown,	20	00
		60 00

From Individuals.

Samuel Harlan,	50	00
S. M. Curtis,	50	00
F. A. Curtis,	20	00

G. Chandler,	20 00	
Bishop Lee,	25 00	
Mrs. S. Canby,	10 00	
Wm. Denny,	10 00	
Rev. B. J. Douglass,	5 00	
Mrs. H. Bradford,	5 00	
		195 00
Balance of cash on hand,		81 10
Collection at Convention of 1881,		16 87
		927 76

Appropriations.

Salary of Rev. G. W. Johnson, Missionary at large in Sussex county,	500 00	
Rev. D. Howard, services at Christ Ch., Broad Creek,	75 00	
" " " Christ Ch., Del. City,	37 50	
" F. Thompson, " St. John Baptist, Milton,	62 50	
" R. H. Murphy, " Calvary Ch., Brand. Hd.	50 00	
		725 00

Specials.

St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,	10 00	
St. Anne's Church, Middletown,	20 00	
Rev. W. R. Ellis,	30 00	
		60 00
		785 00
Balance,		142 76

The financial statement exhibits the operations of the past year. The committee would have gladly extended them, but as will be perceived by comparison of their receipts with those reported at the last Convention, while there has been improvement in Parochial contributions, there has been some falling off in the total amount, owing to the loss of some of our individual contributors. The amount from the churches is an advance of about $100, but a special appeal was needed to obtain what was received. To the list of our deceased benefactors, we are truly grieved to add the name of Bauduy Simmons, our esteemed and excellent associate, who departed this life, Feb. 2, 1882. For several years he had served as our Secretary and Treasurer, always evinced deep interest in our work, and freely extended his assistance. Will none of our liberal laymen come forward and make good the voids in the roll of individual donors? The urgent

reasons for sustaining this branch of our home missions have been so often presented in former annual Reports, that it is unnecessary now to repeat them. At the request of the committee, Mr. Harry H. Johnson has kindly acted as Treasurer since March 1, 1882.

ALFRED LEE,
J. B. CLEMSON,
D. D. SMITH,
W. J. FELL.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Jefferis, the Convention proceeded to elect a Missionary and Education Committee for the ensuing year.

The Bishop appointed as tellers, the Rev. Mr. Jackson and Dr. Fowler.

The tellers reported that the Rev. Dr. Clemson, the Rev. D. D. Smith, Messrs. Wm. J. Fell and H. H. Johnson had received all the votes cast, and the Bishop declared those gentlemen elected.

The Rev. Mr. Lewis from the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, made the following report.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred the resolution on page 35 of the Journal of 1881, offered by Mr. Curtis, report the following resolution.

Resolved, That Canon XI, Sec. 1, be so amended, that instead of the word "appointed," in the second line thereof, there be substituted the words, "specified in the charter or articles of incorporation of the Parish." and they recommend its adoption.

W. G. W. LEWIS,
B. J. DOUGLASS,
GEORGE H. BATES.
HORACE BURR.

The resolution reported by the Committee was unanimously adopted, and the Canon was amended accordingly.

The Bishop announced that he nominated for the Committee on Constitution and Canons, Mr. George H. Bates for the term of five years, to succeed himself.

A ballot was ordered upon the confirmation of the nomination, and the Bishop announced that Mr. Bates had been duly elected for the term of five years.

The Bishop appointed Mr. Kirk a member of the Committee to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in place of Mr. Holcomb who is absent.

Rev. Mr. Douglass, from the committee to which was referred the memorial of the Rev. Dr. Frost, presented and read the following report.

MEMORIAL OF THE REV. WILLIAM J. FROST, D. D., LL. D., PRESBYTER OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE, TO THE CLERICAL AND LAY MEMBERS OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, ASSEMBLED IN DIOCESAN CONVENTION, AT CHRIST CHURCH, MILFORD, DELAWARE, JUNE 7th 1882.

THE MEMORIAL OF THE UNDERSIGNED, WILLIAM J. FROST, SHOWETH:—

1. That your Memorialist, is a presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the United States of America, ordained deacon, and priest by the Rt. Rev. William Rollinson Whittingham, D. D., LL. D.

That having served in the Ministry of the Church during twenty years in the dioceses of New York, Maryland, and New Jersey he was received by the Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D. LL. D., into the diocese of Delaware, in the year 1870, and became Rector of the Swedes Lutheran Church, known as "Trinity Church," Wilmington, Delaware.

2. That the said "Trinity Church" is duly represented, by its Clergy and Lay delegates in the Diocesan Convention of Delaware.

That your Memorialist accordingly sat, as a member, in said Convention, from the year 1870, to the year 1881.

3. That on the first day of June 1881, at the Annual Convention of the Diocese held in Calvary Church in the city of Wilmington, your Memorialist was excluded from his seat in said Convention by the Rt. Rev Alfred Lee, D. D., LL. D., the presiding officer.

That upon your Memorialist claiming his seat in the Convention, attempting to call the attention of the members to the papers and documents sustaining and proving his claim he was refused a hearing and denied the exercise of his right to have his title to a seat passed upon by the Convention; a right guaranteed by Canon 1, Section 2, of the "Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Delaware," in the words.—"The right of any clergyman of this Diocese to a seat in the Convention shall, if disputed, be determined according to the provisions of the third article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted."

4. That this second section of the Canon had been followed alway in this Diocese, notably in the case of the Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D., and of the Rev. Kensey Johns Stewart, D. D., in the Annual Convention of 1876, when the names of the said Reverend gentleman having been omitted from the list of Clergy entitled to seats in the Convention the said Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D., and the said Rev. Kensey Johns Stewart, D. D., appeared and claimed their seats, and the Convention promptly appointed a committee to hear the statement of the claimants, and upon the report of the Committee the *Convention* admitted both the Reverend gentlemen to their seats despite the Bishop's omission of their names from the list of Clergy entitled to seats.

5. That in the Convention of June 1881, after the exclusion of your Memorialist from his seat, the Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee. D. D., LL. D., speaking in his Annual Address did bring the relations of your Memorialist to his parish and the diocese before the Convention in statements unsupported by any proof, and prejudicial to your Memorialist's interest and rights.

That the said statements were unaccompanied by the papers and documents to which the Bishop refers in his Address, and on which he based his assertions regarding your Memorialist.

That your Memorialist was denied, by the Bishop excluding him from his seat, the right and privilege of answering and confuting the Bishop's statements.

6. That in the said Convention, of June 1881, "the Bishop announced that he nominated for the committee on Constitution and Canons Rev. William G. W. Lewis, for four years, to fill the unexpired term of Rev. Dr. Frost."—Journal 1881, p. 36.

That no such vacancy existed, your memoralist being at the time both legally and canonically a member of said committee on Constitution and Canons, fully qualified and entitled to continue in the duties of a member of said committee, to which he was elected, for a term of five years, by the Diocesan Convention of A. D. 1880.—Journal 1880, p. 32.

That the aforesaid action of the Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., LL.D. in nominating the said Rev. William G. W. Lewis to fill the unexpired term of your Memorialist on said Committee was in violation of the Canon entitled,—"Of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons," passed Wednesday June 2, 1880, Journal pp. 24, 25, as follows:

"1. There shall be chosen by ballot a committee of five persons, two clergymen and three laymen of this diocese, members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, who shall constitute a permanent Committee to whom shall be referred for consideration and report thereon all matters having relation to the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese."

7. That in the same Convention of June 1881, "On motion of the Rev. Mr. Littell, the Rev. Mr. Lewis was nominated to the General Convention as a Trustee of the General Theological Seminary from this Diocese."

That after the adjournment of the Convention and while the Journal was passing into print, and without any authority from the Convention, the name of your Memorialist was removed from the list of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, and that of the Rev. William G. W. Lewis substituted to the injury of your Memorialist's fair fame among his brethren both clerical and lay throughout the Church.

Your Memorialist claims:—

That the Rt Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., LL. D. erred in excluding your Memorialist from his seat in the Diocesan Convention of 1881, the said exclusion being in violation of "Canon 1. Section 2. of the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal church in the State of Delaware."

That the Diocesan Convention of 1881 erred in not calling for and examining the papers and documents referred to in the Bishop's Annual Address as laid before the standing Committee of the Diocese

in the "Trinity Church" Case, and discovering the facts as a preliminary to voting intelligently on the resolution approving and endorsing the course pursued by the Bishop and the Standing Committee toward your Memorialist.

That the Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., LL. D. erred in nominating the Rev. William G. W. Lewis for the Committee on the Constitution and Canons of the diocese to fill the unexpired term of your Memorialist, your Memorialist not having ceased to be a member of said Committee, and fully meeting the requirements of the Canon, was entitled to continued membership in virtue of his election by the Diocesan Convention in June 1880 for a term of five years.

That the Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee D. D. LL. D. erred in removing the name of your Memorialist from the list of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary and substituting the name of the Rev. William G. W. Lewis, nominated by Rev. Mr. Littell to the General Convention of 1883, as a Trustee from the Diocese of Delaware, the said Rev. W. G. W. Lewis being a nominee only and not yet elected and in no sense, a Trustee of the General Theological Seminary.

In view of the important matters thus briefly stated your Memorialist respectfully prays the Convention to take such action as will put the Church in possession of all the facts and provide a meet remedy in the premises.

Respectfully Submitted,

WILLIAM J. FROST.

Report of Committee on the Memorial.

The committee appointed by the Convention of the Diocese of Delaware, assembled at Christ Church, Milford, June 7, 1882, to whom was referred the Memorial of the Rev. Wm. J. Frost, D. D. LL. D., respectfully beg leave to report, that upon careful examination of the statements contained in the Memorial, they find themselves unable to assent to the prayer of the petitioner for the following reasons:—

While they do not assume the function of examining into the action of the Convention of 1881, with reference to the qualifications of those who were entitled to seats in that Convention, they deem it but just and proper to state that at the opening of the Convention in

1881 your Memorialist was not denied the right of presenting a paper or petition setting forth his claims as he has now done in this Convention, but, that his right to speak on the floor at the Convention, of which he was not a member, was denied him by the presiding officer, as is usual in all parliamentary bodies. The Memorial does not purport to be an application for a seat in this Convention, but if it be so intended, your committee report that they have examined the Journal of the last Convention, and find, therefrom, that it was officially communicated to that body, both by the Bishop in his address, and by the Standing Committee in their report, that the pastoral connection between the Memorialist and Trinity Church, of which he had been formerly Rector, had been canonically disolved, upon Easter day, April 17, 1881.

It appears, therefore, that the right of the Memorialist to a seat in the Convention terminated on that day. The name of the Memorialist was, therefore, properly left off the list of the clergy entitled to seats at the last Convention. The action of the Bishop was clearly approved of by the Convention, by its acquiescence as a body in the list made out by the Bishop, the failure of any member to question it by moving the admission of the Memorialist to a seat, and afterwards by express resolution (p. 35) approving the course of the Bishop and Standing Committee in the matter, which resulted in the loss of his seat.

It is perfectly true that the Convention can, if they see fit in ordinary circumstances, overrule the action of the Bishop, and that as stated by your Memorialist, the right of a clergyman to a seat shall, if disputed, be determined according to the third article of the Constitution, but we fail to discover that your Memorialist comes within any of the classes set forth in that Canon, as entitling clergymen to seats.

The references to the two clergymen who were admitted to the Convention of 1876 does not furnish a fair parallel, for both of these gentlemen pleaded the ground of disability, and we do not understand that such is the plea put forth by your Memorialist, neither were these Clergymen at the time of application under inhibition from all ministerial office and functions within the Diocese.

Your committee are of opinion that it was not the duty of the Convention, nor was it within their province, either then or now, to enter into examination of the grounds of the action of the Bishop and the Standing Committee.

Believing then these views to be correct, though we regret the loss of the distinguished ability of the Memorialist from the Committee of Canons, and from other offices referred to in his paper, we cannot but accept this state of things as the necessary result of his ceasing to be "one of the officiating ministers regularly settled in some congregation in this Diocese."

We desire further to state that the committee deeming it just to the Memorialist to have an opportunity to make such statements as he might think proper, addressed him in a note, giving him an opportunity of meeting us in conference, but his written reply imposed such a condition in advance as to render such conference impossible.

Your committee are of one mind in the opinion that no action is required to be taken by the Convention, in regard to this Memorial, and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That it is inexpedient that any action be taken by this Convention, with respect to the memorial of the Rev. Wm. J. Frost, D. D. LL. D., and that the special committee to whom the matter was referred be now discharged.

BENJ. J. DOUGLASS,
Chairman.

D. D. SMITH,
WM. C. LODGE.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Gordon, the resolution reported by the Committee was unanimously adopted.

Rev. Dr. Spencer proposed the following amendment to Canon XI, Sec. 5. Amend Canon XI, Sec. 5, by striking out in lines 17 and 18, the clause, "and meetings shall be called at the request of two Vestrymen," and making the paragraph to read, "Meetings of the Vestry shall be called by the Rector, or, in his absence, by the Senior Warden, or, if there be no Senior Warden, by the Junior Warden, or, in case of failure of these, by a written call signed by a majority of the Vestry. The Vestry may adjourn, from time to time, at their pleasure."

On motion of Rev. Dr. Spencer the proposed amendment was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Littell, the Convention took a recess for 15 minutes for the purpose of holding a meeting of the Diocesan Temperance Society.

The Convention resumed business.

Mr. Cooch from the Committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware, reported that they had examined the same and found them correct. (*For report see appendix.*)

On motion of Mr. Harrington, the memorial of the Rev Dr. Frost was directed to be printed in the Journal in connection with the report of the Committee upon the same.

On motion of Mr. Brincklè, it was

Resolved, That after the reading of the minutes and prayers, the Convention adjourn, *sine die.*

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

After the singing of the 315th hymn, the Bishop offered the closing prayers and pronounced the benediction.

S. M. CURTIS.
Secretary.

DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

THE RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, D. D., *Bishop, and President of the Convention*. Residence, Wilmington.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Charles S Spencer, D D., *President*, New Castle.
" Joseph A. Stone, *Secretary*, Newark.
" Lewis W. Gibson.
Mr. S. M. Curtis.
Dr. Horace Burr.

DEPUTIES TO GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass,	S. M. Curtis,
" Wm. B. Gordon,	Geo. H. Bates.
" Dudley D. Smith,	Horace Burr, M. D.,
" T. Gardiner Littell,	W. Jenks Fell.

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

Rev. Joseph A. Stone, Rev. Charles S. Spencer, D. D.,
Rev. B. J. Douglass.

MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., *Chairman*.
" John B. Clemson, D. D.,
" D. D. Smith,
Mr. H. H. Johnson, *Treasurer*,
" William Jenks Fell.

TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rev. T. Gardiner Littell,	Rev. Lewis W. Gibson,
" Charles S. Spencer, D. D,	" Wm. G. W. Lewis.

TRUSTEES OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., President.

	Term expires.		Term expires.
Dr Henry Ridgely,	1887.	George D. Armstrong,	1884.
Mr. George H. Bates,	1886.	Mr. George B. Rodney	1883.
Hon. Edward G. Bradford.	1885.	Wm. Jenks Fell,	1888.

REGISTRAR OF CONVENTION.

Rev. T. Gardiner Littell.

TREASURER OF CONVENTION.

Gregg Chandler, Wilmington.

SECRETARY OF CONVENTION.

S. M. Curtis, Newark.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

George H. Bates, Wilmington.

ATTEST, S. M. CURTIS, *Secretary*.

APPENDIX.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Church of the Ascension, Claymont.

REV. R. HEBER MURPHEY, Rector.

REV. J. B. CLEMSON, D. D. EMERITUS Rector.

Baptisms		5
Confirmed		3
Communicants—last reported	50	
" removed	4	
" added	6	
" present number		52
Funerals		2
Sunday School Teachers		5
" " Scholars		40
Public Services		140

OFFERINGS.

Missions—Diocesan	12 95	
Foreign	30 23	
Domestic	20 37	
Indians	3 20	
Colored	12 76	
		$79 51
Disabled Clergy Fund	6 30	
Jews	2 85	
Prayer Book Soc	2 00	
Specials	41 00	
		$52 15
Alms and other charities	64 27	
For Sunday School	45 03	
Raised by Ladies' Aid Society	67 69	
Current expenses, not including Rector's support	600 00	
		$776 99
Total		$908 65

Of the above amounts, the children of the Sunday School raised through their offerings nearly $30, which went toward various missionary objects. The members of the Ladies' Aid Society have occupied themselves in good works as usual, in helping out various matters in the Parish, and in filling a barrel for Mrs. Buford's work in Virginia.

Report of the Rev. J. B. Clemson, D. D.

I have endeavored to improve every opportunity both publicly and privately of fulfilling my ministry.

REV. J. B. CLEMSON, D. D., EMERITUS Rector.

Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred.

REV. WILLIAM M. JEFFERIS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 17; Adult 6; Total	23
Confirmed	6
Communicants—last reported	38
" removed	1
" added	11
Present number	48
Marriages	2
Funerals	1
Public Services	142

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Teachers	15
Scholars	175

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Endowment of Episcopate	$ 13 00
Diocesan—Missions	12 57
" charges	8 00
Church at Middletown	5 00
Communion Alms	26 42
Sunday School Festivals	100 00
" Papers and leaflets	21 00
Repairs and Improvements	464 00
Current Expenses	1088 98
Mission to the Jews	2 00
Prayer Books and Bibles	60 00
Total	$1800 97

The church property has been put in thorough order, and some important improvements have been made. Ground is also about to be broken for a Receiving-Vault, to cost $600 00, and our large cemetery lot (of 10 acres) is to be re-surveyed, graded and planted with trees. The parish has also reason to be thankful to the Giver of *spiritual* prosperity, for a deepened religious interest in the neighborhood in which its missionary enterprises are carried on. May the Master perfect His work, and make us "all glorious *within*."

St. John's Church, Wilmington.

REV. T. GARDINER LITTELL, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 28; Adult, 3; Total		31
Confirmed		7
Communicants—number last reported	146	
" lost by removal	13	
" died	4	
" gained by removal	16	
" added	6	
Present number		151
Marriages		3
Funerals		14
Sunday Schools		3
Bible Class		1
Teachers		21
Scholars		265
Public Services—On Sundays 128; other days 137; total		265

Children catechised every Sunday.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Alms	$ 33 84
Sunday Schools	86 66
Rectory Fund	162 70
Repairs and Improvements	550 04
Current expenses	2448 81
Education for Ministry	16 00
Children's Hospital	20 00
Diocesan Expenses	50 00
Disabled Clergy	35 15
Endowment of Episcopate	18 00
Missions—Diocesan	58 10
Jews	6 94

Missions—Colored People		25 18
Domestic		81 85
Foreign		64 86
General Fund		64 89
Box for Missionary (value)		125 00
Total		$3,848 02

St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

RT. REV. ALFRED LEE, Rector.

REV. CHARLES E. MURRAY, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—Infant 17; Adult 4; Total		21
Confirmed		9
Communicants—removed	13	
" died	8	
" added	13	
Present number		266
Marriages		5
Funerals		22

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

St. Andrew's, Teachers, 26; Scholars	279
Robert Smith (colored,) Teachers 20; Scholars	150
Schools 2; Teachers 46; Scholars	429

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 70 00	
Church at Middletown	20 00	
Mexican Scholarship	40 00	
From Mexican Band	125 00	
Other purposes	35 00	
Robert Smith, for missions in the South	18 50	
Total from Sunday Schools		$308 50

CHURCH OFFERINGS.

Missions—Diocesan	165 00	
Ladies' Sewing Society	30 00	
		$195 00

Missions—Domestic—General Board.....	70 00		
Am. Church Missionary Society..	100 00		
Box from Ladies' Society.....	80 00		
Jews.....	38 11		
Deaf Mutes.....	10 00		
		$298 11	
Foreign—General.....	61 50		
Japan Hospital.....	100 00		
Mexico	41 66		
		$203 16	$696 27

CHARITABLE.

Communion Alms.....	196 70	
Sufferers by fire in Michigan.....	107 00	
Clergy Relief Fund—Dicocesan.....	40 00	
" General	38 50	
	78 50	$382 20

SOCIETIES.

Ev. Education.....	73 53	
Ev. Knowledge	31 25	
State Bible.....	23 25	
Church Temperance.....	20 00	
		$148 03
Diocesan Charges.....		175 00
Organ and Heater.....		650 00
Current expenses not included.....		$2,360 00

The Rev. John W. Kaye resigned the position of Assistant Minister on the 1st October. He has been succeeded by the Rev. Charles E. Murray, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania, who entered upon his duties, November 13, 1881. For the general condition of the Parish we gratefully acknowledge God's favoring hand. Our losses by death have exceeeded the ordinary rate of mortality, especially among our aged members. While death has not spared the youthful and bloom-

no less than six of those summoned hence had overpassed three score and ten years. Among these were two of our Vestrymen, Mr. Bauduy Simmons and Mr. Evan C. Stotsenburg. Both these gentlemen had been for many years identified with the industries and trade of the city of Wilmington, were highly valued as citizens, and took a warm and active interest in the affairs of the Church. For the good examples of all his servants who, having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labours, we bless God's holy name.

REV. CHAS. E. MURRAY.

On the 13th of November 1881, I entered upon my duties as Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's Church. My official acts are included in the Convention report of that parish.

Trinity Church, Wilmington.

REV. HENRY B. MARTIN, M. D. RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infant 34; Adult 7; Total	41
Confirmed	26
Communicants—No. last reported	150
Added by removal	22
Confirmation	26
Died	1
Present number	199
Marriages	3
Funerals	20
Sunday Schools, at Chapel—Teachers	21
Scholars	146
At Old Church- -Teachers	23
Scholars	200
Total Teachers	44
Total Scholars	346
Public Services at Chapel, Sundays	66
Public Services, other days	83
Holy Communions	25
Sermons	79
Lectures and and Addresses	46

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms	$ 285 78
Other Offerings	3,103 23
Total	$ 3,389 01
From sale of Trinity Chapel, Cor. 5th and King Sts	20,000 00
" " Corner lot 5th and French Sts	5,000 00
Total	$28,389 01
Paid for lot 200 ft. on Adams Street and 100 ft. on Delaware Avenue, and 50 ft. by 145 ft. in rear on Adams Street.	8,625 00
Balance	$19,764 01

Of which, after payment of mortgage debts and other indebtedness against the Corporation, Salaries, Missions, and various benevonent appropriations, there is a balance of about $7,000 00, which the Vestry decided to expend in the erection of a Chapel and Sunday School room on the rear of the lot on Adams Street and Delaware Avenue. This new building is being rapidly pushed to completion, and it is expected to hold services in it in September next. The property corner of 5th and King Streets will be vacated and turned over to the purchasers the first of August next. I assumed charge of this Parish, as Rector, on the 1st Sunday in Advent, Nov. 27th 1881. The outlook and promise for the future is most encouraging. The above report of Communicants is as complete as I am able to make it. The Rev. Louis K. Lewis of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, is giving me valuable assistance, temporarily, at the Old Church, with the consent of the Bishop.

HENRY B. MARTIN,
Rector.

Calvary Church, Wilmington.

REV. GEO. W. DUBOIS, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infant 41; Adult 3; Total	44
Confirmed	15
Communicants last reported	117
" Added	42
" Removed	7
" Died	4
" Present number	148
Marriages	4
Funerals	20
Sunday School—Officers and Teachers	31
" " Scholars	218
Public Services—with Sermon or Lecture	170

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan, through Committee	7 46
" Church at Middletown	10 00
Diocesan Charges	30 00
Disabled Clergy Fund	5 15
Endowment of Episcopate	4 00
Missions, Foreign, through Committee	5 00
Mexico, through Del. Br. League	13 88

Jewish	8 00
Sufferers by Fire in Michigan	15 00
Sheltering Arms—Hospital for children, Philadelphia	25 00
Child's Hospital—at Newark,	8 00

PAROCHIAL.

Charitable	90 64
Improvement Church Edifice	113 00
Sunday School Library presented by Mr. William Baxter	500 00
Appropriations to Sunday School	22 90
125 copies Parish Visitor, and 10 copies of British Workman, for general distribution	35 20
Other publications for general distribution	7 52
Total, exclusive of salary and current expenses	900 75

The loss of annual revenue, which the Parish sustained at the death of the late Jesse Lane, and which seemed to threaten serious financial embarrassment, has been made up to us during the past year, almost in full, by the generous gifts of three unknown friends of Calvary Church.

The actual subscriptions for the current year, although they have been increased, will prove inadequate to meet our responsibilities. The Vestry, regarding themselves as representing an important Missionary work among the Mechanics of Wilmington, renew their appeal for aid.

GEO. W. DUBOIS,
Rector.

Christ Church, Christiana Hundred.

REV. D. D. SMITH, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infant 18; Adult 1; Total		19
Confirmed		4
Communicants—last reported	145	
" Removed	4	
" Died	2	
" Lost	12	
" Added	8	
" Present number		135
Marriages		1

Funerals		12
Sunday School—Teachers	12	
" Pupils	115	
Total		127

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	103 55		
Aid of Clergy	106 00		
		209	55
Domestic—Poor Churches	154 00		
Am. Ch. Miss. Society	235 26		
Ladies' Auxiliary Society	321 10		
Spanish Mission in Phila	20 00		
Seaman's "	50 00		
Sufferers in Michigan	75 00		
		$ 855	36
Foreign—Collection in Church	60 51		
Sunday School Offering	30 63		
Missionary Box	7 03		
5 cent Collection	162 75		
Women's Union Miss. Society	52 00		
Mexican League	49 00		
Private Gifts	100 00		
		461	92
Total Missions		$ 1526	83
Communion Alms		116	37
Diocesan Charges		85	00
Education Society		50	00
Knowledge "		43	00
American Bible Society		44	00
" Tract "		40	50
Garfield Memorial		190	00

PAROCHIAL.

Church repairs	105	01
Sunday School	56	62
	$ 2,257	33

Immanuel Church, New Castle.

REV. C. S. SPENCER, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infant		15
Confirmed		10
Communicants—Number last reported		123
" Removed	21	
" Died	6	
" Lost	8	
" Added	6	
" Present number		94
Marriages		3
Funerals		14
Sunday Schools and Bible Classes—Teachers		18
" " Scholars		203

CONTRIBUTIONS.

General Parish Purposes	$ 153 21
Conversion of Jews	5 09
Parish Library	21 21
Diocesan Missions	48 40
Indian Commission	8 88
Sunday School Library	6 63
Increase of Ministry	7 60
Prayer Book Society	8 35
Nashotah	16 31
Church at Fernandina, Florida	19 06
General Missions	9 51
Michigan Sufferers	30 07
Domestic Missions	60 48
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund	19 23
Foreign Missions	40 11
Alms	106 00
Sunday School Offering	50 17
Total	$ 610 31

St. James' Church, Newport.

REV. W. D. HANSON, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infant 1; Total		1
Confirmed		4
Communicants—number last reported		18
" Removed	1	

Communicants—Added	6	
" Present number		23
Burials		2
Sunday School—Teachers		4
" Scholars		25

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 3 70
Domestic (American Church Missionary Society)	2 50
Foreign (Mexico)	4 00
Total	10 20
Disabled Clergy Fund	1 83
Alms	2 16
Diocesan Charges	7 00
Endowment of Episcopate	85
Parochial	247 00
	$:69 04

St. James' Church near Stanton.

REV. W. D. HANSON, Rector.

Baptism—Infant 1, adult 3, total	4
Confirmed,	8
Communicants—No. last reported	64
Removed	6
Died	2
Lost	1
Added	13
Present number	68
Marriages	2
Funerals	5

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan	$15 00
" Domestic, (Am. Ch. Miss. Soc.)	5 00
" Foreign, (Mexico.)	18 00
" " (Mission Boxes)	8 81
Total	$46 81

Disabled Clergy Fund	5 17
Endowment of Episcopate	3 00
Communion Alms	24 30
Diocesan Charges	25 00
Carriage for Rector	125 00
Salary of Rector	673 41
Repairs and Current expenses	51 32
Total	$ 954 01

REMARKS.

For prudential reasons it is thought best to suspend the Sunday School for the present. Harmony and liberality characterize the past year.

St. Thomas' Church, Newark.

REV. JOSEPH A. STONE, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 4, Total	4
Confirmed	4
Communicants—Last reported	66
Removed	1
Died	1
Added	9
Present Number	75
Marriages	1
Burials	2
Sunday School—Scholars	25
Teachers	3

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan	$ 73 75
" Foreign	79 67
Total	$ 153 42
Diocesan Charges	30 00
Evangelical Education Society	25 00
Sunday School purposes	6 56
Sewing Circle	52 00
Communion Offerings	53 28
Sunday Collections for Church Expenses	48 36

Disabled Clergy Fund	6 06
American Ch. Missionary Society	40 00
Strawberry Festival	202 00
Total	$ 616 68

Christ Church, Delaware City.

REV. DAVID HOWARD, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 9; Adult 1; Total	10
Confirmed	2
Communicants—Number Last Reported	41
Removed	5
Died	3
Lost	6
Added	3
Present Number	30
Marriages	1
Funerals	3
Sunday Schools	1
" Bible Class	1
" Teachers	7
" Scholars	40
Public Services—Sundays	33
Other Days	35
Total	68
Holy Communion, Public	12

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions	$ 17 06
Diocesan Charges	20 00
Sunday School	13 92
Communion Alms	17 73
Current Expenses (including Rector's Salary)	239 58
Parochial	88 32
Total	$ 396 61

OTHER PURPOSES.

Church Improvements	$ 9 25
Sunday School Hymnals and Leaflets	8 77
Repairs and Improvements of Rectory	94 24

Legal expenses	396 90
Miscellaneous objects within the Parish	70 16
Total	$579 32

This Church had been closed from the second Sunday after Easter, 1881, until Quinguagesima Sunday, 1882.

I took charge of the Parish the third Sunday in Lent. Since that time great interest has been manifested in the services of the church and in the welfare of the Parish.

Finding no Sunday School, I at once collected as many of the children of the Parish together as possible, and began what I hope in time may prove a most flourishing school.

The foregoing report covers only the period from February 19th, 1882, to June 1st.

St. Anne's Church, Middletown.

REV. G. W. LEWIS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 5; Adult, 1; Total	6
Confirmed	5
Communicants—Number last reported	75
Removed	1
Died	1
Added	2
Present Number	75
Marriages	2
Funerals	6
Sunday Schools & Bible Classes—Teachers,	6
Scholars,	60
Public Services, about	200

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan	7 00
" Domestic	10 00
" Foreign	10 00
Total	27 00
Diocesan Charges	40 00
Parochial	1,000 00
Total	$1,067 00

REMARKS.

On May 2nd our beautiful Church was destroyed by fire, entailing a heavy loss upon the parish. But the Vestry have determined to rebuild at the earliest possible date, and measures have been taken to that end.

Report of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.

REV. W. B. GORDON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 10; Adult 2; Total	12
Confirmed	5
Communicants—Number last reported	76
Lost	3
Added	5
Present Number	78
Funerals	3
Sunday School—Teachers	8
" Scholars	75
Public Services	183

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 31 11
" Domestic	20 00
" Foreign	20 00
" Jews	8 00
Total for Missions	79 11
Disabled Clergy Fund(general)	16 45
Charitable	43 10
Diocesan Charges	45 00
Endowment of Episcopate	5 79
For Sunday School	42 59
Church Aid Society	40 00
Parochial, Including Current Expenses	1,240 68
Other Purposes	83 73
Sunday School Easter Offering	49 97
Church Temperance Society	5 00
Total	$ 1,651 42

Christ Church, Dover.

REV. LEWIS W. GIBSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 4; Adult 3; Total	7
Confirmed	9
Communicants—Added, by first Communion	7
" " by Removal	5
" Removed	3
" Present Number	96
Marriages	1
Burials	3
Sunday School—Dover—Scholars	50
" " Teachers	10
" Camden—Scholars	40
" " Teachers	5
Services—Sundays	98
" Other days	87
Sunday Services in Camden	10
Total	195

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial—Salary of Rector	$900	00
Rectory Fund	60	00
Repairs and Expenses	524	22
Sunday School	58	92
Charity	22	95
Total	1,566	09
Extra Parochial—Diocesan Fund	45	00
Endowment	23	66
Missions	18	18
Disabled Clergy Fund	27	37
General Missions	4	58
Total	118	79
Incidental Expenses	324	84

Christ Church, Milford.

REV. L. H. JACKSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 13; Adult, 1; Total	14
Confirmed	8
Communicants—Number Last Reported	60
" Removed	
" Died	2

Communicants—Added by Removal	7
" Added, by First Communion	9
" Present Number	69
Marriages	1
Funerals	5
Sunday School—Teachers	6
Scholars	48
Public Services	90

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions	$ 5 00
Foreign Missions	5 00
Jewish Missions	2 00
Disabled Clergy Fund	2 00
Diocesan Charges	30 00
Parochial	26 25
Communion Alms	10 14
Sunday School	8 92
Total	$ 89 31

REMARKS.

I entered upon the Rectorship of this Church the 1st of Dec., 1881. Soon after, I received a very pleasant surprise visit from my Parishioners,and a liberal donation. Later on, the ladies of the Congregation provided carpets, and other useful articles of furniture, adding very materially to the comfort of their Rector and family.

The church yard has recently been enclosed by a strong and beautiful iron railing, the gift of the late Manlove R. Carlisle, Senior Warden of the church. The interior of the lower part of the tower has been finished, so that the Church can now be entered from the street. This work was paid for by the Church Guild, which has done much good in many ways.

St. Paul's Church, Georgetown.

REV. BENJAMIN J. DOUGLASS, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult, 3; Infant 5; Total	8
Confirmed	3
Communicants—Added, new	3
" By Removal	3
Died	3
Removed	11
Present Number,	46

Children Catechised Monthly.

Sunday School—Teachers	7
Scholars	50
Parish School—Teachers	1
Scholars	20
Public Services on Sundays	107
Other Days	70
Total	177
Marriages	6
Burials	10

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Foreign Missions	$ 5 00
Disabled Clergy Fund	10 00
Ordinary Expenses	50 00
Church Building Fund	350 00
Envelope Collections since November	150 00
Total	$ 565 00

We herewith place on record, in the name of our congregation, the acknowledgment of our indebtedness to the many friends, in and out of the Diocese, who have generously aided us in bringing to completion our beautiful house of worship.

The building was re-opened by the Bishop on Sunday, November 13th, 1881. Shortly afterward, the Chapel and Sunday School building was finished. The Burial Ground adjoining the church has been extended by the donation of a town lot. At Easter, a solid, massive and beautiful Baptismal Font was placed in the church, through the liberality of the Rev. John Linn McKim, a former Rector of the church, and a few friends.

The effect of these exertions and gifts has been to quicken a new interest in the work of our church, and it is noticeable in the increase of the number in attendance. May it be a harbinger of a deeper interest in spiritual matters.

St. Peter's Church, Lewes.

REV. THOMAS MCCLINTOCK, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 2; Total	2
Communicants—Number last reported	42
Died	1
Present number	30
Sunday Schools and Bible Classes—Teachers	8
Scholars, about	50
Public Services	6

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Foreign	$ 5
Diocesan Charges	20
Parochial, about	50

I entered upon my work on Ascension Day, hence the report is not as complete as it might be.

Chapel of St. John's School for Boys, Faulkland.

REV. FREDERICK THOMPSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 1; Adult 1; Total	2
Confirmations	6
Communicants	16
Public Services—Sundays	60
" Week days	25
Total	85

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions	$ 5 00
For the work at the Chapel	50 00
Total	$55 00

The school has had a very prosperous year, and has increased largely during the time since we removed to this place.

The boys of the school come from nine Dioceses, Delaware sending us five. The place has proved all the most sanguine predicted for it as a location for a boys' school, and the prospects for future usefulness are very bright. The attendance at the services of the school on the Lord's Day and other public services has been good, filling the chapel to its utmost capacity.

SEAFORD, June 20th, 1882.

MY DEAR BISHOP:—Yours at hand, and in reply say, our parish remains the same. No change since last report. We are using every effort to repair our church building, and hope soon to begin work.

Yours respectfully,

HUGH MARTIN, S. W.

Christ Church, Broad Creek, & St. Philip's Chapel, Laurel.

Baptisms—Infant 6; Total	6
Confirmed	2
Communicants—Number last reported	65
Died	1
Present Number	64
Marriages	1
Funerals	4
Sunday Schools	1
Bible Classes	1
Sunday School—Teachers	6
Scholars	35

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 11 59
Diocesan Charges	14 00
Rector's Salary—(part of year)	391 94
Current Expenses	72 23
Church Building	23 15
Purchase of new Organ	152 00
Total	$ 639 32

The above report embraces only a part of the Conventional year, as the parish has been vacant since Christmas, 1881.

EDWARD FOWLER, Jr. Warden.

Rev. George W. Johnson, Missionary in Sussex Co.

As your Missionary I would respectfully report:

Sunday services	120
Week day "	30
Baptisms—Adult, 6; Infant 18; total	24
Communicants last report	82
Deceased	3
Confirmed	1
Present number under my charge	80
Marriages	4
Burials	4
Holy communion	16
Sunday school Teachers	20
" " Scholars	245

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan charges	$ 10 00
Missions	55 00
Other purposss	191 12
Towards the salary of your Missionary	82 50
Total	$ 338 62

The following is detailed account of my work, except such as has been extended to St. Philip's, Laurel, and other churches.

St. George's, Indian River Hd.

Marriages	4
Burials	3
Holy Communion	5
Public Services—Sunday	22
" " Week day	7
Baptisms—Adult, 2; Children 7; Total	9
Communicants	21
Sunday School, Teachers	6
" " Scholars	38

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Charges	$ 6 00
" Missions	14 00
Domestic Missionary Society	5 00
Salary of your Missionary	52 50
For Organ and Incidental Expenses	85 00
Total	$ 162 50

Chapel of the Comforter, Long Neck.

Public services—Sunday	40
" " Week day	7
Baptisms—Adult, 1; Children 3; Total	4
Holy Communion	5
Burials	2
Sunday School, Teachers	4
" " Scholars	45

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions	$ 2 00
Repairs of the Church	40 12
Salary of your Missionary	30 00
Christmas Gifts	8 00
Total	$ 80 12

St. Mark's, Little Creek Hd.

Public Services—Sunday	22
" " Week day, 8; Total	28
Holy Communion	4
Communicants, last report	39
Died	1
Lost by removal	3
Present number	35
Sunday School, Teachers	4
" " Scholars	72

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Charges	$ 2 00
" Missions	25 00
For an Organ	30 00
Christmas Gifts	6 75
Total	$ 63 75

This Parish gratefully acknowledges the bequest, by a late member, deceased, Mr. Samuel Kenney, of two hundred dollars in Bank stock, the interest to be paid to the Rector.

St. Andrew's, Ellis Grove.

Public services—Sunday	22
" " Week day	8
Baptisms, Adult, 3; children, 8; Total	11
Holy communion,	2
Sunday School, Teachers	10
" " Scholars	90

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions	$ 11 00
Incidental Expenses	10 00
Total	$ 21 20

The above church has recently been repainted outside which puts it in an excellant state of preservation, at a cost of $14 00. The inside walls oiled and varnished, the pews painted, grained and varnished, also furnished with book-pockets and kneeling-stools at a cost $36 55. Also a new Cabinet organ costing $48 00; so that I now have an organ at each of my churches. which I find to be a good help in my Sunday School work, which is, I think, especially prosperous in them all. The new church has now cost in all $804 98. I have received $595 15 leaving a balance, $209 83 which I have expended more than I have received. The Long Neck church has also during the past year been transformed into a church-like building.

St. John's Church, Greenville.

REV. WILLIAM ROBERT ELLIS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 2; Adult, 6; Total		8
Communicants—Last reported	37	
" Died	2	
" Present number		35
Marriage		1
Funerals		3
Public Services—Sundays, 21; other days, 9; total		30
Sunday School—Teachers		8
" " Scholars		61

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions	$ 1 50
" Charges	7 00
Communion Alms	6 00
Other purposes	5 00
Total	$ 19 50

On my return from St. Johns, on Sundays, I usually hold service at a school house, about three miles from the church. During the year I have held about 15 services. The people have turned out fairly, and some few have become quite interested, and I trust, will soon connect themselves with the Parish church.

St. Mark's Church, Millsboro.

REV. WILLIAM ROBERT ELLIS, Rector.

Funerals		4
Confirmed		1
Communicants—Last reported	12	
" Added	1	
" Present number		13
Marriages		8
Public Services—Sundays	21	
" " Other days	25	
Total		46
Sunday School—Teachers		6
" " Scholars		45

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions	$ 1 50
" Charges	3 00
Communion Alms	4 00
Other purposes	20 00
Total	$ 28 50

Grace Church, Baltimore Mills.

REV. WILLIAM ROBERT ELLIS, Rector.

Communicants		8
Marriages		4
Public Services—Sundays	18	
" " Other days	2	
Total		20

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions	$ 1 50
" Charges	2 00
Communion Alms	2 00
Church Improvements	10 00
Other purposes	1 50
Total	$ 17 00

Report of Rev. E. Weil.

During the past year, excepting two Sundays, I have been engaged in giving religious instruction on every Lord's Day. Three times I administered the Lord's Supper and always assisted in the same throughout the year. On several occasions I took entire charge of the services at a Mission Church both on Sundays and week-days. I also give a weekly instruction, on Friday, to a class of men at "The Workingmen's Club of Germantown.

Total.	Current Expenses.
$943 65	included in part.
1800 97	included.
5 00	
3848 02	included.
2360 00	not included.
3389 01	included.
900 75	not included.
2232 33	not included.
705 31	not included.
269 04	included.
954 01	included.
616 68	not included.
975.93	included.
1067 00	included.
1651 42	included.
2009 72	included
89 31	not included.
586 00	included.
75 00	not included.
244 62	included.
24 25	
650.91	
5 00	
28 50	
19 50	
15 00	
63 75	
21 00	
55 00	
5620 68	

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Clergy, canonically resident	29
Candidates for Orders	2
Clergymen settled in Parishes, and Missionaries	21
" having more than one charge	5
" dismissed	3
" received	5
Parishes	31
Churches and Chapels	37
Baptisms,—infant 251, adult 51 total,	307
Communicants—removed	88
" died	42
" lost otherwise	30
" added	229
" present number	2026
Confirmed	138
Marriages	53
Funerals	160
Sunday Schools—Teachers	300
" Scholars	2650

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions, Diocesan	$ 918 92	
" Domestic	1,587 44	
" Foreign	1,139 64	
" Not specified	113 98	
Total		$3,758 98
Disabled Clergy Fund		213 21
Charitable		1,383 75
Endowment of Episcopate		68 30
Diocesan Charges		946 25
Societies—Education, Bible, Prayer Book, &c.		429 48
Parochial		18,388 29
Other purposes		432 42
Total		$25,620 68

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention will be held in St. Peter's Church, Lewes, on the first Wednesday in June, 1883.

Treasurers' Accounts.

DR. *G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.*

1881.			
June 1	To Balance in Treasury		$199 93
" "	To cash from	Ascension Church, Claymont	35 00
"	" "	Grace, Brandywine Hundred	8 00
"	" "	Immanuel, New Castle	95 00
"	" "	St James', Stanton	25 00
"	" "	St. Thomas', Newark	30 00
"	" "	Christ, Delaware City, for 1879	20 00
"	" "	St. Anne's, Appoquinimink	40 00
"	" "	St. Peter's, Smyrna	45 00
"	" "	St. John Baptist, Milton	5 00
"	" "	St. Paul's, Georgetown, for 1879	11 00
"	" "	" " on acct. 1880	14 00
"	" "	St. Peter's, Lewes, " 1880	15 00
"	" "	St. George's, Indian River	8 00
"	" "	Christ, Broad Creek, & St. Philip's, Laurel	14 00
"	" "	St. Mark's, Millsboro	3 00
"	" "	Grace, Baltimore Mills	2 00
"	" "	St. John's, Greenville	7 00
"	" "	St. Mark's, Little Creek	2 00
"	" "	Calvary, Brandywine Hundred	5 00
"	" "	St. Luke's, Seaford, for 1879	12 25
"	" "	" " on acct 1880	8 75
"	" "	Christ Church, Dover	45 00
Oct. 1	" "	Trinity Church, Wilmington, on acct. 1880	13 75
" 24	" "	St. John's, Wilmington, on acct. 1880	26 00
1882.			
Feb. 6	" "	" " for 1880	25 00
" 8	" "	Trinity Church, Wilmington, on acct. 1880	75 00
" 14	" "	Christ Church, Milford, on acct. 1880	21 00
May 9	" "	Christ, Christiana Hundred, 1881	85 00
" 18	" "	Trinity Church, Wilmington, for 1880	86 25
" 26	" "	St. Andrew's, Wilmington, for 1881	175 00
" 31	" "	Calvary Church, Wilmington, for 1881	30 00
June 5	" "	St. James', Stanton, 1881	25 00
			1160 93

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware. CR.

1881.		
June 1	By cash paid Sexton of Calvary Church, Wilmington	$ 5 00
"	" " S. M. Curtis, for expenses on Journals. etc.	30 01
" 2	" " Dr. DuBois, for programmes.....	3 50
" 7	" " Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.....	330 00
July	" " James & Webb.....	128 50
Oct. 24	" " Ferris Bros.....	8 00
1882.		
Mar. 21	" " Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D	125 00
April 1	" " Ferris Bros.....	1 50
May 27	" " E. F. Eckel.....	4 00
" 29	" " Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.....	240 00
1882.		
June 7	Balance in Treasury.....	290 42
		1160 93

Examined and found correct.

WM. P. CRESSON,
HUGH MARTIN.

[SUPPLEMENTARY.]

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.

1882. DR.

June 7	To Balance in Treasury			$ 290 51
"	To Cash from	Ascension Church, Claymont		85 00
"	" "	Grace, Brandywine Hundred		8 00
"	" "	Calvary, " "		5 00
"	" "	St. James', Newport		7 00
"	" "	St. James', Newport, 1880		7 00
"	" "	St. Peter's Lewes, 1880		5 00
"	" "	St. Peter's, Lewes		20 00
"	" "	Christ Church, Delaware City, for 1880		20 00
"	" "	St Paul's, Georgetown, for 1880		11 00
"	" "	St. Paul's, Georgetown, on acct. for 1881.		10 00
"	" "	Christ Church, Milford, for 1880		9 00
"	" "	Christ " "		30 00
"	" "	St. Luke's, Seaford, on acct. for 1880		24 25
"	" "	St. Thomas', Newark		30 00
"	" "	St. Anne's, Appoquinimink		40 00
"	" "	St. Peter's, Smyrna		45 00
"	" "	Christ Church, Dover		45 00
"	" "	St. George's, Indian River		8 00
"	" "	St. Philip's, Laurel		14 00
"	" "	St. Mark's, Millsboro		3 00
"	" "	Grace Church, Baltimore Mills		2 00
"	" "	St. John's, Greenville		7 00
"	" "	St. Mark's, Little Creek		2 00
"	" "	Collection at Convention for St. Anne's Church, Middletown		25 78
" 12	" "	St. John's Wilmington		50 00
" 13	" "	Immanuel, New Castle		95 00
"	" "	Trinity, Wilmington		115 00

G. Chandler, Treasurer. in account with the Diocese of Delaware.

1882. CR.

June 7	By cash paid	Sexton of Christ Church, Milford.....	$ 5	00
"	" "	S. M. Curtis. for expenses on Journals, &c..	9	42
"	" "	H. N. Willits. towards rebuilding Church at Middletown.....	25	78
" 12	" "	W. J. Fell, for printing report of Committee.	5	25
" 18	" "	Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.....	554	00

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

DR.

1881.			
June 1	To Cash, Balance in Bank		$594 00
" 17	" Collection St. John's Church, Brandywine		18 00
July 8	" " St. James' Church, Stanton		3 00
" 13	" " Christ Church, Dover,		23 66
Sept. 16	" 6 mos. interest received from J. Morrow,		
	" on bond and mortgage to Sept. 1st		125 00
Oct. 1	" 6 mos. interest on $1000 City Loan, to July 1st '81		30 00
" 18	" 6 mos. interest received from Jno. Higgins, to October 9th		200 00
1882.			
Mar. 22	" 6 mos. interest received from Jas. Morrow, to March 1st,		125 00
April 6	" 6 mos. interest on $1000 City Loan, due Jan. 1st		30 00
" 11	" 6 mos. interest received from John Higgins to April 9th		200 00
" 15	" Collection, St. James' Church, Newport		85
May 31	" " Calvary Church, Wilmington		4 00
	Total		1353 51
June 1	To Cash, Balance in Bank		514 79

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

		CR.
1881.		
Jan 14	By Cash paid Loan borrowed from Disabled Clergy Fund Dec 19th, 1879 Principal, $ 118 68, interest $ 10 09	$ 128 72
Sept. 30	" Paid Rt. Rev. A. Lee	155 00
Oct. 18	" " " " "	200 00
1882.		
April 6	" " " " "	155 00
" 11	" " " " "	200 00
	By Cash, Balance in Bank	514 79
	Total	1853 51

INVESTMENTS.

Bond and mortgage of Jas. Morrow, 5%	$ 5,000 00
" " John Higgins, 5%	8,000 00
Wilmington City Loan 6 per cent	1,000 00
Cash in Bank	514 79
	$ 14,514 79

Examined and found correct.

JAMES KIRK.
WM. COOCH.

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in Account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

DISABLED CLERGY FUND.

DR.

1881.			
June 1	To Cash Balance in Bank		1555 47
July 14	" Loan returned by Endowment Fund, that amount being borrowed Dec. 19, 1879, to complete purchase of City Loan, principal 118.63 interest 10.09		128 72
Oct. 7	" Interest received from D. H. Kent		48 75
Dec. 28	" Collection Christ Church, Dover		25 36
" 30	" " St. John's Church, Brandywine		32 77
1882.			
Jan. 3	" " Christ Church, Dover		2 00
"	" " St. Thomas' Church, Newark		6 06
" 7	" " St. James' Church, Stanton		5 17
"	" " St. James' Church, Newport		1 83
" 16	" " Ascension Church, Claymont		6 30
" 19	" " Immanuel Church, New Castle		19 23
Apr. 6	" 6 mos. int. on City Loan, $ 50. due Apr. 1, '81		1 50
"	" " " " " 50. " Feb. 1, '82.		1 50
"	" " " " " 350. " Oct. 1, '81.		10 50
"	" " " " " 350. " Apr. 1, '82.		10 50
"	" " " " " 1000. " Nov. 1, '82.		30 00
"	" City Bond Certificate No. 55, principal due April 1, 1882.		50 00
" 15	" collection St. James, Newport		1 25
May 12	" " from Rev. B J. Douglass		10 00
" 17	" " St Andrew's Church, Wilmington		38 50
" 31	" " Calvary Church, Wilmington		5 15
"	" " St. John's Church, Brandywine		3 38
"	" " St. John's Church, Sunday School		4 77
	Total		1998 71
June 1	To Cash Balance in Bank		$298 71

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

DISABLED CLERGY FUND.

		CR.
1881.		
Oct. 7	By Cash paid D. H. Kent. Amount loaned him on his collateral note	$1500 00
Dec. 30	" " Rev. K. J. Stewart	100 00
1882.		
May 16	" " D. H. Kent, additional loan on his collateral note	100 00
	Balance Cash in Bank	298 71
		$1998 71

INVESTMENTS.

Wilmington City Loan, 6 per cent	1,350 00
Collateral loan to D. H. Kent	1,600 00
Cash in Bank	298 71
Total	$3,248 71

Examined and found correct.

JAMES KENT,
WM. COOCH.

FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORT.

TO THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE:

Report of.....Church,

For the year ending June 1, 18..

REV.....Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, ; Adult, ; Total,.....
Confirmed.....
Communicants- Number last reported.....
Removed, ; Died, ; Lost, ; Added ....
Present number.....
Marriages.... .....
Funerals ....
Sunday Schools & Bible Classes—Teachers,
Scholars,

Public Services ....

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan, ; Domestic, ; .....
Foreign, ; Total..... ....
Disabled Clergy Fund of Diocese.....
Charitable..... .....
Diocesan Charges.....
Societies—Education, ; Bible, ; Prayer Book, &c. ;
Endowment of Episcopate.....
Parochial..... ....
Other Purposes..... .....
Total.....

REMARKS:

OFFERINGS REQUIRED BY CANON.

Missions in the Diocese, per Missionary and Education Committee—Semi-Annually.

Treasurer, H. H. JOHNSON, Wilmington.

Assessment for Convention Expenses.

Treasurer, Gregg Chandler, Wilmington.

Interest on balance due on apportionment of fund for Endowment of Episcopate and contributions to fund for relief of Sick and Disabled Clergymen.

Treasurer, GEORGE D. ARMSTRONG, Wilmington.

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LIST

OF ALL THE

Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church,

Canonically resident in the Diocese of Delaware.

JUNE 6, 1883.

*Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector o St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.
Rev. Angelo A. Benton, Professor in Delaware College, P. O., Newark.
Rev. John Baker Clemson, D. D., Rector Emeritus of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont, residing at West Chester, Pa
*Rev. George W. DuBois, D. D., Rector of Calvary Church, Wilmington.
*Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Georgetown.
*Rev. William R. Ellis, Rector of St. John's Church, Greenville, St. Mark's, Millsboro, and Grace Church, Baltimore Mills. P. O. Millsboro.
*Rev. George S. Fitzhugh, Rector of Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Luke's Church, Seaford.
Rev. William J. Frost, D. D.
*Rev. Lewis W. Gibson, Rector of Christ Church, Dover.
*Rev. William B. Gordon. Rector of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.
Rev. George Hall, residing at Seaford.
*Rev. William D. Hanson, Rector of St James' Church, Stanton, and St. James', Newport. P. O., Faulkland.
*Rev. David Howard, Rector of Christ Church, Delaware City.
*Rev. George W. Johnson, Rector of St. George's Church, Indian River, St. Mark's, Little Creek, and Missionary. P. O.,Georgetown.
*Rev. Lewis H. Jackson, Rector of Christ Church, Milford.
Rev. P. B. Lightner, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont.
*Rev. T. Gardiner Littell, Rector of St. John's Church, Wilmington.
*Rev. Henry B. Martin, M. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington.
Rev. John Linn McKim, residing at Georgetown.
*Rev. Chas. E. Murray, Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.
Rev. William A. Newbold, Secretary of the American Church Missionary Society. P. O., New York.
Rev. Henry L. Phillips.
*Rev. Dudley D. Smith, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred. P. O., Wilmington.
*Rev. Charles S. Spencer, D. D., Rector of Immanuel Church, New Castle.
Rev. Kensey Johns Stewart, D. D.
*Rev. Joseph A. Stone, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Newark.
Rev. Frederick Thompson, Deacon, Principal of St. John's School, Faulkland.
Rev. Henry Tullidge, D. D., residing at Smyrna.
Rev. Elias Weil, residing at Germantown, Philadelphia.*

ALFRED LEE,

Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Delaware.

* Designates those entitled to seats in this Convention.

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES,

Certificates of whose election by their respective Churches were presented and approved.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY.

ASCENSION, *Claymont.*—Wm. Cloud, W. C. Lodge.
GRACE, *Brandywine Hd.*—Louis Smith, Wm. P. Cresson.
CALVARY, *Brandywine Hd.*—
ST. ANDREWS, *Wilmington.*—Gregg Chandler, George H. Bates.
TRINITY, *Wilmington.*—Dr. Horace Burr, Walter Cummins.
CALVARY, *Wilmington.*—Charles Cook,* Charles Jones.*
ST. JOHN'S, *Wilmington.*—Austin Harrington, Thos. B. Smith.
CHRIST, *Christiana Hd.*—James Conly, Charles Green.
IMMANUEL, *New Castle.*—Thomas Holcomb, Lewis E. Eliason.
ST. JAMES', *Stanton.*—W. H. Churchman, Alonzo Newlin.
ST. JAMES', *Newport.*—R. C. Justice, R. Lewis Armstrong.
ST. THOMAS, *Newark.*—S. M. Curtis, Wm. Cooch.
CHRIST, *Delaware City.*—Dr. A. B. Mitchel, Peter Kline.*
ST. ANNE'S, *Middletown.*—H. N. Willits, Wm. Alexander Comegys.

KENT COUNTY.

ST. PETER'S, *Smyrna.*—D. I. Cummins, W. T. Cavender.
CHRIST, *Dover.*—T. K. Jones, Robert Sarde.
CHRIST, *Milford.*—S. M. Simpler,* Henry W. Rolle.

SUSSEX COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S, *Georgetown.*—Charles C. Stockley, Edwin R. Paynter.
ST. PETER'S, *Lewes.*—Wm. P. Orr, Charles W. Whiley, Jr.
ST. LUKE'S, *Seaford.*—Ed. L. Martin, Edgar C. Ross.
ST. MARK'S, *Millsboro.*—Henry C. Fraim, Joseph C. Ellis.
CHRIST, *Broad Creek* and ST PHILIP'S, *Laurel.*— } Ed. Fowler, M. D., Benj. J. Moore.
ST. JOHN'S Baptist, *Milton.*—James Ponder, L. W. T. Dashiel.
ST. MARK'S, *Little Creek.*—
ST. JOHN'S, *Greenville.*—Wm. W. Elliot, Cyrus Ward.
ST. GEORGE'S, *Indian River.*—John B. Burton, Wm. C. Burton.
GRACE, *Baltimore Mills.*—Joseph G. McNeal, Ed. Bacon.

*Absent.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, LEWES, June 6, 1883.

This being the day appointed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Delaware, for the meeting of the Annual Convention, the Bishop of the Diocese and a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled at nine o'clock in the morning, in St. Peter's Church, Lewes.

The Convention was called to order by the Bishop. The Secretary of the last Convention, by direction of the Bishop, proceeded to call the names of the Clergy of the Diocese entitled to seats, when the following answered to their names and took their seats, viz:

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.,	Rev. Geo. W. Johnson,
Rev. Geo. W. DuBois, D. D.,	" T. Gardiner Littell,
" B. J. Douglass,	" Henry B. Martin,
" Wm. R. Ellis,	" Chas. E. Murray,
" Geo. S. Fitzhugh,	" D. D. Smith,
" Lewis W. Gibson,	" Chas. S. Spencer, D. D.
" Wm. B. Gordon,	" J. A. Stone,
" Wm. D. Hanson,	" Lewis H. Jackson.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. Mr. Gibson, S. M. Curtis, and Mr. Paynter, a committee to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates.

The Rev. Mr. Gibson, on behalf of the Committee, reported the names of the Lay Delegates duly elected, and, upon the roll being called by the Secretary, the following answered to their names, and took their seats, viz:

Louis Smith,	William C. Burton,
Gregg Chandler,	Edward Bacon,
Dr. Horace Burr,	William P. Cresson,
Austin Harrington,	George H. Bates,
James Conly,	Walter Cummins,
Thomas Holcomb,	Thomas B. Smith,
Alonzo Newlin,	Charles Green,
R. Lewis Armstrong,	Wm. H. Churchman,
William Cooch,	Robt. C. Justis,
H. N. Willetts,	S. M. Curtis,
T. K. Jones,	Wm. A. Comegys,
Henry W. Rolle,	Robert Sarde,
Edwin R. Paynter,	Charles. C. Stockley,
Charles W. Whiley, Jr.,	William P. Orr,
Edgar C. Ross,	Edward L. Martin,
Joseph C. Ellis,	Henry C. Fraim,
Benj J. Moore,	Edward Fowler, M. D.,
L. W. T. Dashiell,	James Ponder,
Cyrus Ward,	Wm. W. Elliot,

John B. Burton.

The Bishop announced that the next business in order was the election of a Secretary, and appointed Rev. Dr. Spencer and Dr. Fowler, tellers, to conduct the election.

The Rev. Mr. Hanson nominated Mr. S. M. Curtis, and there being no other nomination, by unanimous consent a ballot was cast by the Bishop for Mr. Curtis; and no other votes having been cast, the Bishop announced as the result of the ballot, that Mr. Curtis had been duly elected, and the Convention was organized for business.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Stone, the Secretary was authorized to appoint an assistant.

The Secretary announced that he had appointed Mr. Geo. H. Bates.

Mr. Chandler moved that the rules of order of the last Convention be adopted as the rules of order of the present session, which motion prevailed, and the rules of order were read, as follows, viz:

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, nor shall afterward stand, unless to address the chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

6. If a question in debate contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

7. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across, the house, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered as before the House unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing, when required.

10. When any question is before the House, it shall be determined on before anything new is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the Chair.

13. The Journals of the Convention shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and a copy sent to each member of the Convention.

14. The Charge or Sermon, when delivered by the Bishop before the Convention, shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and one copy sent to each Clergyman, and ten copies to each Vestry in the diocese.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Gibson, it was

Resolved, That clergymen of this Diocese not entitled to seats, clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and candidates for Holy Orders, who may be present, be invited to attend the sittings of the Convention.

Under this resolution were present the Rev. Theodore A. Waterman of the Diocese of Pennyslvania, officiating in St. Peter's Church, Lewes, and the Rev. Henry Tullidge D. D. of the Diocese of Delaware.

On motion of Mr. Churchman the election of Deputies to the General Convention and of a Standing Committee was made a special order, immediately after the reading of the Bishop's annual address.

The Bishop presented a petition of the Rev. Wm. J. Frost, D. D., which had been transmitted to him, addressed to the Convention. Mr. Curtis moved that the same be referred to a special Committee of three, which motion prevailed, and the Bishop appointed as such Committee, the Rev. Messrs. Gordon and Hanson, and Mr. Holcomb.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Littell, it was

Resolved, that this Convention will meet daily at 9 o'clock A. M. to transact business, and take a recess from 1 to 3 o'clock, and from 6 to 8 o'clock P. M.

The Rev. Mr. Stone presented the report of the Standing Committee which was read, as follows, viz :—

The Standing Committee beg leave to offer the following brief abstract of their proceedings. During the past year they have held three meetings, viz: The first at New Castle, December 19th, 1882, at which the Committee signed the proper testimonials, giving their consent to the consecration of the Rev. Hugh Miller Thompson, D. D., as assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Mississippi.

The second meeting was held in Wilmington, April 16th, 1883. At this meeting a portion of the congregation of Old Swedes' Church, Wilmington, sent in a petition desiring to be set off to organize a new Parish in the eastern part of the city. After a careful hearing of all parties interested, the Vestry of Trinity church, offering no opposition, the Committee advised the Bishop of the Diocese to give his consent to the formation of a new Parish, in accordance with the canons of the church.

The third meeting was held in Wilmington, May 29th, 1883.

At this meeting a petition was presented by Mr. W. J. Fell, signed by fourteen other persons, for the organization of a new Parish at Faulkland, Del., near Brandywine Springs. After a careful hearing of the statements of Mr. Fell in favor, and those of the Rector and two members of the Vestry of St. James church, Stanton, against said petition, the committee passed the following Resolution.

Resolved, That while the members of the Standing Committee would be gratified to know of the erection of a memorial chapel at Faulkland, the services of which shall be under the supervision of the Bishop, they are not prepared, at present, to advise the Bishop to give his consent to the formation of a new Parish at that place.

Attest, J. A. STONE,
Secretary.

The Rev. Mr. Smith offered the following resolution,

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that the custody and disbursement of the income of the fund for disabled clergy remain solely with, and are subject to, the discretion and direction of the Convention, as it may, annually, decide.

After some discussion, without objection, the resolution was withdrawn, and the Rev. Mr. Gordon offered and moved the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that there does not exist any committee which has control of the income of the fund for the relief of disabled clergymen.

Mr. Ponder moved that the resolution be referred to a special committee of three, which motion was lost, and the question being taken upon the motion of the Rev. Mr. Gordon, the resolution, as read, was adopted.

Mr. Chandler presented his account as Treasurer of the Convention, and also the account of Mr. Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer of the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware, and moved that the same be referred to a special committee for audit, which motion prevailed, and the Bishop appointed Messrs. Ponder and Cresson a Committee to audit the account of the Treasurer of the Convention, and Messrs. Churchman and Moore a Committee to audit the account of the Treasurer of the Trustees.

Mr. Chandler presented the account of the Secretary, for his official expenses during the past year, and on his motion the Treasurer was authorized to pay the same.

The Rev. Mr. Littell presented the report of the Registrar, which was read as follows:

The Registrar reports that, during the past year, he has received sixteen documents from the Bishop of this Diocese, and from Registrars of several Dioceses.

The amount expended for postage during the last three years, has been $3 33.

T. GARDINER LITTELL,
Registrar.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Gordon, the Treasurer was directed to pay to the Registrar the amount of his official expenses.

On motion of Mr. Chandler the House then took a recess for Divine Service.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. Henry B. Martin, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington, and the Litany by the Rev. Henry Tullidge, D. D. The 191st hymn was sung. The ante-communion service was read by the Rev. Wm. R. Ellis, Rector of St. John's Church, Greenville, who also read the Epistle. The Bishop read the Gospel. After the singing of the 202d hymn, the Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. Wm. B.

Gordon, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, from the 12th verse of the 1st chapter of II Corinthians.

In the Communion service the Bishop was assisted by the Rev. Mr. Ellis, and in the distribution of the elements, by the Rev. Messrs. Ellis, Gordon, and Waterman.

The offertory was appropriated to the fund for the Relief of Sick and Disabled Clergy.

At the conclusion of the services the Convention resumed business.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Stone, the Convention took a recess until 3 o'clock, P. M.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention re-assembled.

The roll being called, the delegates who were present at the morning session, answered to their names, no others having arrived.

The Secretary read the minutes of the morning session, and they were approved.

The Bishop then read his annual address, as follows:

ADDRESS.

TO THE CLERICAL AND LAY MEMBERS OF THE NINETY-THIRD ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

Brethren beloved in Christ,

Another year of work and waiting, of mercies rich and manifold from our gracious Lord, and of confessed short comings on our part, is added to the record above. Assembled again in Annual Convention,

let us remember in whose service we are engaged, and how soon that service, so far as this world is concerned, will come to an end. Not many such occasions of mutual consultation respecting the interests of the Church of Christ are allotted to us. We exchange our greetings, unite in our sacred worship, spend a few brief hours in deliberation, and then separate, not all to meet again, until the great final gathering. During the year just finished, two of our brethren of the Laity, frequent and well known members of this body, have been called away from earthly scenes and labors. The Hon. C. S. Layton and Dr. William Cummins had taken a prominent part in the action of former Conventions. The legal knowledge, readiness in debate, and experience of Judge Layton were highly valued. For some time past the infirmities of age had withdrawn him from active service. His long and useful life terminated peacefully on the 3rd of October, 1882. Dr. Cummins was with us at our last meeting, apparently in full enjoyment of health and with a prospect of many years yet in store. His godliness, zeal and engagedness in good works were conspicuous, and his unexpected removal, after a very brief illness, has left a void not easily filled. Both of these lamented brethren were members of the Convention of 1841, by which your present Diocesan was elected.

Clerical changes have been more numerous than usual.

The Rev. R. Heber Murphy resigned the Rectorship of Ascension Church, Claymont, and his missionary charge of Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred, on the 1st of December, 1882. Mr. Murphy had won the affection of his people, and the respect of all who knew him. He has been succeeded in Ascension Church by the Rev. P. B. Lightner, from the Diocese of Pittsburg, who entered upon his duties at the beginning of the new year.

The Rev. Wm. M. Jefferis, Rector of Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred, resigned his change and Professorship in Delaware College, at the close of November, 1882, accepting a call to a church in the city of Philadelphia. Having had occasion repeatedly to make mention of the success which attended the unwearied labors of Mr. Jefferis, I need not say how much I lament the loss of so energetic and devoted a minister. Mr. Jefferis had greatly attached his people by his cordial manners and pastoral fidelity, as well as by his public ministrations, and was equally at home in the laborer's cottage and in the professor's chair. I am, in some measure, reconciled to his removal, by the conviction that his duties here were too onerous and exhausting for his strength, and the assurance that he enters upon a field of much promise and usefulness. During a part of the time since his resignation, Grace Church has been supplied by the Rev. S. N. Griffiths, residing in Pennsylvania.

The Rev. Geo. S. Fitzhugh, from the Diocese of Easton, accepted an invitation to the Rectorship of Christ Church, Broad Creek, in August, 1882. In February last, Mr. Fitzhugh became, also, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Seaford, which parish had remained vacant for more than two years. I am rejoiced to announce that it has now a settled Rector, and that it is purposed soon to replace the present church, which has suffered from the inroads of time, by a new and more attractive edifice. Mr. Fitzhugh, in addition to regular services in the two churches at Laurel and Seaford, has been officiating in the old church at Broad Creek with encouraging attendance.

The Rev. Thomas McClintock resigned the charge of St. Peter's Church, Lewes, after an incumbency of only six months, and returned to the Diocese of New Jersey. The Rev. Theodore A. Waterman, Deacon, of the Diocese of Pennyslvania, has been holding services in the church since February last.

The Rev. Wm. G. W. Lewis resigned the Rectorship of St. Anne's Church, Middletown, April 1st, 1883, and removed to the Diocese of Albany. In my last address, I announced the calamity which had overtaken the Parish by the destruction of their church by fire. The work of reconstruction was soon commenced, and prosecuted with so much energy that the new church was occupied on Christmas Day. It is in size and arrangement the same with the former building, and the congregation may be congratulated on the speedy and complete restoration of their beautiful house of prayer.

The Rev. Angelo A. Benton, from the Diocese of North Carolina was offered, by the Trustees of Delaware College, the Professorship in that institution resigned by Mr. Jefferis, and accepted the same. He became canonically connected with this Diocese, May 11th, 1883, although he had entered upon the duties of his Professorship some time before. For some months past he has been rendering ministerial services at St. John's Church, Wilmington, the Rector of which, the Rev. T. G. Littell, was prostrated by a dangerous illness early in the Spring. The recovery of our beloved brother from this severe attack is cause for sincere thanksgiving to our heavenly Father, and it is our trust that his health will be fully re-established, so that he may resume his pastoral work, and long continue to minister to the flock by whom he is esteemed very highly in love.

The Rev. Joseph A. Stone has felt, to such a degree, the failure of strength, that rest has become indispensable, and he proposes speedily to relinquish the active duties of his ministry. The severance of the bond uniting Mr. Stone and the Parish which he has served with so much fidelity for thirteen years, is a sore grief and trial. Our beloved brother may be assured of our heartfelt sympathy with him in his affliction, of our sincere respect, and prayers for his comfort, and, if it please God, for his full recovery.

Our gains and losses during the year have been as follows:

ACCESSIONS.

The Rev. George S. Fitzhugh, from the Diocese of Easton, August 12th, 1882.
The Rev. P. B. Lightner, from Pittsburgh, January 15th, 1883.
" " Henry Tullidge, D. D., from Pennsylvania, Jan., 5, 1883.
" " Angelo A. Benton, from North Carolina, May 11, 1883.

DISMISSIONS.

The Rev. R. Heber Murphy, to the Diocese of Easton, December 1st, 1882.
The Rev. William M. Jefferis, to Pennsylvania, December 2d, 1882.
" " Thomas McClintock, to New Jersey, December 12th, 1882.
" " William G. W. Lewis, to Albany, May 5th, 1883.

My attention has been called to an inadvertence in my statement of the case of the Rev. Henry L. Phillips, made to the Convention of 1881. After quoting my letter of December 8th, 1880, to Mr. Phillips, I stated that to this letter I received no answer. I have since had evidence that Mr. Phillips did answer that letter, his reply having been mislaid, so that I did not meet with it in examining the papers. It was a letter of mine of subsequent date, which remained unanswered. I make this correction, so that the record may be entirely accurate, the merits of the question being in no way affected. I shall be ready and glad to remove the inhibition in the case of the Rev. Mr. Phillips, as also in the case of the Rev. W. J. Frost, D. D., as soon as I have assurance of their acquiescence in the decisions of the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in their respective cases.

CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS.

Mr. Robert H. Wright, Jr., for Priests' Orders, admitted June 15, 1881.
Mr. Martin B. Dunlap, for " " " " 25, "
Rev. Frederick Thompson, Deacon.

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

Rev. Charles S. Spencer, Rev. B. J. Douglass.

CONFIRMATIONS.

The number of persons confirmed falls below the average, a fact partly owing to exceptional causes. There have been confirmed in

Ascension Church, Claymont, - - -	2 Persons.
Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred, - - -	5 "
St. John's Church, Wilmington, - - -	6 "

St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington,	8	Persons.
Calvary Church, Wilmington,	13	"
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	4	"
Immanuel Church, New Castle,	8	"
St. John's School, Faulkland,	*8	"
Christ Church, Delaware City,	11	"
Christ Church, Dover,	7	"
Christ Church, Milford,	2	"
St. John, Baptist, Milton,	1	"
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	4	"
St. Luke's, Seaford,	6	"
St. Phillip's, Laurel,	1	"
St. George's, Indian River,	2	"
St. Andrew's Chapel, Ellis Grove,	4	"
Total,	92	"

*An interesting class, all of whom were pupils of the school.

On the 10th of June, 1882, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, I gave my consent to the alienation by Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred, of the land on which the former church stood, very sufficient reasons being presented.

On Sunday, October 8th, I delivered the sermon at the opening of the new Trinity Chapel, Wilmington. The building, inexpensive but neat and commodious, is placed on the rear of the very eligible lot, purchased by the Parish, in a rapidly improving part of the city so that when the Parish shall be prepared for the erection of a larger, and more costly church, it will remain for the use of the Sunday School and other purposes. The course pursued by the Vestry in thus providing for the present accommodation of the worshipers, without incurring the harrassing burden of debt, commends itself as eminently judicious and conducive to the future prosperity of the Parish.

A petition having been presented to me, signed by a number of members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, most of whom had been worshipers in the Old Swedes' Church, for permission to organize and establish a separate and independent Parish in the Eastern part of the city of Wilmington, I laid the same before the Standing Committee of the Diocese for their advice, at a meeting held on the sixteenth day of April, 1883. The Standing Committee, as will appear by their minutes, after full and careful consideration, consented to grant the prayer of the petitioners, and advised me to give the permission desired, which I accordingly did, on the 2nd day of June, 1883, in conformity with the provisions of Section 2, of Canon 5, of Title 2 of the Digest of Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the U. S. of America. My consent was given after assurance that a

suitable lot would be purchased, not in too close proximity with the old church, and that a building would be erected in a reasonable time. There is ample field in that thriving portion of the city for another congregation, without, as I trust, causing any permament injury to that worshiping in the ancient sanctuary, so highly prized and venerated as a monument of the piety of the founders of the city of Wilmington. I was gratified to learn that the vestry of Trinity Church, who have shown a generous spirit in this matter, intend to maintain regular services as heretofore.

The church at Delaware City, after the trial times through which it has passed, seems to be prospering greatly under the ministry of the Rev. Mr. Howard.

The Rev. L. H. Jackson has been appointed Missionary at Harrington, and feels encouraged by the attendance and interest shown in his services.

St. John Baptist, Milton, without a settled pastor, has been supplied with frequent services by the Rev. Messrs. Douglass, Jackson, and Waterman.

New churches, I have reason to believe, will be soon commenced at Seaford, as before mentioned, and in place of the present St. John's Church, Greenville.

The walls of St. George's Church, Indian River, had become so weakened by time as to cause apprehensions for the stability of the building. Extensive repairs became necessary, which have been made in a thorough manner, and, at the same time, the venerable church has been greatly improved in its interior. The successful completion of this needed improvement is mainly owing to the energy and personal superintendence of the Missionary in charge, the Rev. G. W. Johnson.

I would suggest that the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware, assume the control of the church lot belonging to Prince George's Church, Dagsboro.

On the 22nd of June at the commencement of the Philadelphia Divinity School, in Holy Trinity Church, at the request of the Rt. Rev. W. B. Stevens, I ordained three persons to the Diaconate, viz: John Pallam Williams, John Benj. Williams, and Paulus Moart—and admitted three Deacons to the Order of Priests, viz: the Reverends Mardon Dewees Wilson, William Marshall Harrison, and Henry M. G. Huff. At the same time and place, at the request of Bishop Jaggar of Southern Ohio, I ordained J. Milton Boyd, Deacon.

At the request of Bishop Stevens, I also laid the corner stone of Calvary Church, (Bishop White Memorial,) on the 29th of June, in West Philadelphia.

On the 17th of January, 1883, I gave my canonical consent to the consecration of the Rev. Hugh Miller Thompson, D. D., as assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Mississippi.

So far as I can judge from the general aspect of things, the large congregations gathered at my visitation, the zeal and liberality manifested in church improvements, and the evident devotion of my clerical brethren to their great and blessed work, the condition of the Diocese is as hopeful and cheering as I have ever known it. We need an increase of missionary contributions to do justice to our home-field, and to enable us to extend a helping hand to those who are struggling to sustain the worship of God, in comparative weakness. For the quietness and peace enjoyed during the year, andfor tokens of affectionate regard shown to myself, my thanks are rendered to the Giver of every blessing.

ALFRED LEE.

The Bishop announced as the special order of the day, the election of Deputies to the General Convention, and of a Standing Committee.

The election of Deputies to the General Convention being first in order, the Bishop appointed as tellers to hold the election, the Rev. Messrs. Murray and Jackson, of the Clergy, and Messrs. Walter Cummins and Cooch of the Laity.

Pending the ballot, the following gentlemen who were not present at the morning session, appeared and took their seats, viz :

The Rev. Mr. Howard and Messrs. Wm. C. Lodge, David J. Cummins, Wilson T. Cavender, and Andrew B. Mitchell, M. D.

Mr. Ponder, on behalf of the Committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention, reported that they had performed that duty and found the same correct. (For report see appendix.)

Mr. Churchman, on behalf of the Committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Diocese, reported that the Committee had examined the same and found them correct. (For report see appendix.)

The Rev. Mr. Smith presented and read the following report:

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY & EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Receipts and Expenditures.

From Churches, for General Purposes.

Ascension, Claymont,	$ 11 77	
Calvary, Brandywine Hundred,	1 00	
St. John's, Wilmington, (Sunday School $17 06,)	41 78	
St. Andrew's, " (" " 50 00,)	143 00	
Trinity, "	20 00	
Calvary, "	17 00	
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	86 27	
Immanuel, New Castle,	24 12	
St. James', Newport,	1 00	
St. James', Stanton,	4 00	
St. Thomas', Newark,	10 00	
Christ Church, Delaware City,	12 19	
St. Anne's, Middletown,	5 00	
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	40 97	
Christ Church, Dover,	36 50	
Christ Church, Milford,	5 00	
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	2 00	
St. George's, Ind. River,	7 50	
St. Mark's, Little Creek,	20 00	
St. Andrew's, Ellis Grove,	8 00	
St. John's, Greenville,	1 38	
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	1 37	
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	2 04	
Wilmington, Church Sunday Schools' Annual Gathering,	27 12	
		$529 01

From Churches, for Specials.

St. Johns', Wilmington, (Sunday School) for St. Anne's Middletown,	$ 5 46	
St. Andrew's, Wilmington, for St. George's, Indian River,	65 00	
		$70 46

From Individuals.

S. M. Curtis,	$50 00
F. A. Curtis,	20 00
Bishop Lee, (for St. George's, I. R., 10 00)	35 00
E. T. Warner, do "	25 00

G. Chandler, - - - - -	20 00	
J. C. Seeds, - - - - -	12 00	
H. H. Johnson, - - . - -	10 00	
Rev. B. J. Douglass, - - -	5 00	
		$177 00
Balance from last year, - - - - -		142 76
Collection at Convention of 1882, - - -		16 92
		$936 15

Cr. *Appropriations.*

Salary of Rev. Geo. W. Johnson, - -	$500 00	
" " D. Howard, - - -	150 00	
" " R. H. Murphey, - -	50 00	
" " L. H. Jackson, - - -	35 00	
For Specials.		
St. Anne's Church, Middletown, - -	5 46	
Repairs of St. George's Church, Indian River,	100 00	
		$840 46
Balance, - -		95 69
		$936 15

The tenor of our report is very much the same as for years previous. For good accomplished, and evidence that our labor is not in vain, we thank God and take courage. Our limited means and inability to enlarge our operations we deplore. Contributions from parishes sum up in the aggregate, about the same as last year, some churches exceeding, and others falling below the amounts then given.

Another of our principal individual contributors, Mr. Samuel Harlan, Jr., has departed this life, and we shall miss his generous assistance so long enjoyed. It would greatly cheer and strengthen us, if some of our laymen, to whom God has given the means, would come forward and fill the vacancies made by death in the ranks of our donors. One of our faithful Missionaries, the Rev. R. H. Murphey, has removed from the diocese. The Rev. L. H. Jackson, has been appointed Missionary at Harrington, from February 4th, 1883, and speaks quite favorably of the attendance and interest in his services. The Rev. Mr. Fitzhugh has been laboring with energy and apparent success at old Christ Church, Broad Creek, and has been specially encouraged by the number of young persons coming for instruction. We have not been in a position financially to give our help to this good work the last year, but hope the means for this purpose may be provided during the present. The extensive field occupied by our Missionary at large shews the good results of his labors in increasing congregations and flourishing Sunday Schools.

An interesting class was confirmed at St. Andrew's Chapel, Ellis Grove. St. George's Church, Indian River, the walls of which were in an unsafe condition, has been thoroughly repaired, at an expense of about eight hundred dollars. It stands now solid and firm, likely to last another hundred years, and the interior has been greatly improved, the Missionary himself giving his services as architect and superintendent of the work.

ALFRED LEE,
JOHN B. CLEMSON,
D. D. SMITH,
WM. JENKS FELL,
H. H. JOHNSON.

LEWES, June 6th, 1883.

The Rev. Mr. Gordon on behalf of the Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Rev. W. J. Frost, D. D., presented the following report:

To the Ninety-third Annual Convention of the Diocese of Delaware:—Your Committee, to whom was referred a petition of Rev. W. J. Frost, D. D., LL. D., respectfully report that they have examined the said petition and the accompanying documents, and find nothing in them that calls for any action on the part of this Convention. The Committee respectfully ask to be discharged.

W. B. GORDON.
W. D. HANSON.
THOMAS HOLCOMB.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Gordon, the Committee was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The Tellers reported the ballot, and the Bishop announced the result of the election for Deputies to the General Convention, that a majority of both orders had concurred in the election of the following gentlemen:

Clerical Deputies,—Rev. Messrs. Benj. J. Douglass, William B. Gordon, T. Gardiner Littell, and Geo. W. DuBois, D. D.

Lay Deputies,—Messrs. S. M. Curtis, Geo. H. Bates, Horace Burr, M. D., and Henry Ridgely, M. D.

The election of the Standing Committee being next in order the Bishop appointed as tellers to hold the same, Rev. Messrs. Murray and Jackson, of the clergy, and Messrs. Walter Cummins and Cooch of the Laity.

Pending the counting of the votes by the tellers,

On motion of Rev. Mr. Gordon it was

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as referred to deceased members of the Convention, be referred to a special Committee of three.

The Bishop appointed as such Committee :

Revs. Messrs. B. J. Douglass, W. B. Gordon, and Mr. H. N. Willitts.

Rev. Mr. Douglass, from the Committee on Canons, reported the following as a proposed amendment to Canon X :

Amend Canon X by inserting in line 7, between the words "Episcopate" and "and," the words "in accordance with the apportionment and resolutions adopted at the Convention of 1882 and published in the journal thereof, on pages 16 to 19, inclusive." Also, amend by adding at the end of said Canon, the words, "The said Committee shall also be charged with the duty of promoting the increase of the said fund."

Also amend said canon, by striking out the words "Bishop's Fund," in line 3 thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof, the words "Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware."

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Douglass, the amendments were adopted as reported, more than two-thirds of the members present concurring.

The tellers reported the ballot for members of the Standing Committee, and the Bishop announced the election of

Rev. Dr. Spencer, Messrs. Gibson and Smith, and Messrs. Curtis and Burr.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hanson, the Convention went into an election for members of the Missionary and Education Committee, and the Bishop appointed the Rev. Mr. Fitzhugh and Dr. Burr, as tellers. The tellers reported the vote, and the Bishop announced the election of

Rev. Messrs. D. D. Smith and T. Gardiner Littell, and Messrs. H. H. Johnson and Charles Green.

The Bishop nominated as members of the Committee on Constitution and Canons :

Horace Burr, M. D., for five years, to succeed himself.

Rev. L. W. Gibson for two years, to succeed Rev. W. G. W. Lewis, (removed from the Diocese.)

A ballot was ordered upon the confirmation of the nomination, and Messrs. Littell and Stockly were appointed tellers. The tellers reported the ballot, and the Bishop announced the election of

Dr. Horace Burr, for five years, and Rev. L. W. Gibson, for two years.

Rev. Mr. Gibson proposed Rev. W. B. Gordon, to be a Trustee of the General Theological Seminary.

On the question being put, the Rev. W. B. Gordon was nominated to the General Convention as a Trustee of the General Theological Seminary.

On motion of Mr. Martin, the Convention took a recess till 8 P. M.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, 8 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention re-assembled. The annual missionary meeting was held. Evening prayer was read by the Rev. Messrs. Littell and Johnson. After the singing of the 283d hymn, addresses were made by the Rev. Messrs. Gibson, Douglass, Fitzhugh, and the Bishop. The usual offering for missions in the Diocese was made, and after the singing of the 289th hymn, and prayers, the Bishop pronounced the Benediction.

The Convention resumed business. The Secretary read the minutes of the afternoon session, and they were approved.

The Rev. Mr. Gordon, from the Special Committee, to which was referred so much of the Bishop's address as referred to deceased members of the Convention, presented a report as follows :

The Committee, to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's address as related to the decease of Judge Layton and Dr. Wm. Cummins, respectfully present the following preamble and resolutions.

WHEREAS, It has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from our midst our friends and brethren, Judge Layton, of Georgetown, and Dr. Wm. Cummins, of Smyrna.

Resolved, That, in their decease, we have lost devoted members of the Church, who have served her faithfully as laymen, in their own parishes, and as delegates to the Convention, off and on, for nearly half a century. Their bearing in our Conventions was always indicative of the deep interest they felt in the Kingdom of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Resolved, That we shall ever cherish a lively recollection of their kindness and cordial hospitality, so often extended to the members of the Convention.

Resolved, That we deeply sympathize with their families in their irreparable loss, but, together with them, we rejoice, and are not a little comforted by the reflection that they have been "gathered unto their fathers, having the testimony of a good conscience, in the communion of the Catholic Church, in the confidence of a certain faith, in the comfort of a reasonable, religious and holy hope; in favour with God, and in perfect charity with the world."

B. J. DOUGLASS,
W. B. GORDON,
H. N. WILLITTS.

Preamble and resolutions were adopted by a rising vote.

The Rev. Dr. Spencer offered the following resolution ;

Resolved, That in the retirement of the Rev. Jos. A. Stone, from active work in connection with the church in Delaware, we, the members of this Convention, do extend to him our heartfelt sympathy for the cause of such retirement; and be it also

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Sick and Disabled Clergy Fund of the Diocese be authorized by this Convention, to pay to Rev. Mr. Stone, $150 out of the income of such Fund.

And, on his motion, the resolution was adopted by a rising vote.

Rev. Mr. Gibson moved the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Trustees of the P. E. Church in the Diocese of Delaware are hereby requested by the Convention to assume control of the lot, and any other property belonging to Prince George's Church, Dagsboro,—and that a Committee of three be appointed to investigate the matter and see that the title is properly vested.

The motion prevailed.

The Bishop appointed as such Committee:

Rev. Mr. Ellis, Messrs. Jacob Moore, and Edwin R. Paynter.

On motion of Mr. Curtis, it was

Resolved, That the Standing Committee be requested to prepare, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop, a report of the state of the church in this Diocese, to be presented to the General Convention.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, it was ordered that 600 copies of the journal be printed, and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay for the same when certified by the Secretary to be correct.

On motion of Dr. Mitchell it was

Resolved, That the next Convention be held in Christ Church, Delaware City.

On motion of Rev. Dr. DuBois it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be extended to the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of St. Peters Church, and to the citizens of Lewes, for their kindness and hospitality, and that the usual compensation be paid to the sexton of this church.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Gordon the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, A legal suit against the Bishop of the Diocese, the former Committee on the disbursement of the Fund for Disabled Clergymen, and possibly other members of this Convention has been commenced, to require them to appropriate funds in a manner which, in their opinion, ought not to be so appropriated, therefore,

Resolved, That they be authorized to obtain such legal counsel as, in their opinion, may be necessary.

The term of Mr. George B. Rodney having expired by limitation, Mr. Bates nominated Mr. Thomas Holcomb as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Diocese of Delaware—and on the question being put, Mr. Hocomb was unanimously elected.

On motion of Rev. Dr. DuBois, it was

Resolved, That after the reading of the minutes and devotional exercises, the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The minutes of the evening session were read and approved.

After the singing of the doxology, the Bishop offered the closing prayer and pronounced the benediction.

S. M. CURTIS,
Secretary.

DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

THE RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, D. D., *Bishop, and President of the Convention*. Residence, Wilmington.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Charles S. Spencer, D D., *President*, New Castle.
" D. D. Smith, *Secretary*, Wilmington.
" Lewis W. Gibson.
Mr. S. M. Curtis.
Dr. Horace Burr.

DEPUTIES TO GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass,
" Wm. B Gordon,
" Geo. W. DuBois, D. D.,
" T. Gardiner Littell,
S. M Curtis,
Geo. H. Bates.
Horace Burr, M. D.,
Henry Ridgely, M. D

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

Rev. Charles S. Spencer, D. D., Rev. B. J. Douglass.

MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., *Chairman*.
" T. Gardiner Littell,
" D. D. Smith,
Mr. H. H. Johnson, *Treasurer*,
" Charles Green.

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

	Term expires.		Term expires.
Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass,	1884.	Rev Lewis W. Gibson,	1885.
Horace Burr, M. D.,	1888	Dr. Henry Ridgely,	1886.
		Mr. George H. Bates,	1887.

TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rev. T. Gardiner Littell,
" Charles S. Spencer, D. D.,
Rev. Lewis W. Gibson,
" Wm. B. Gordon.

TRUSTEES OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., President.

	Term expires.		Term expires.
Dr. Henry Ridgely,	1887.	George D. Armstrong,	1884.
George H. Bates,	1886.	Thomas Holcomb,	1889.
Hon. Edward G. Bradford.	1885.	Wm. Jenks Fell,	1888.

REGISTRAR OF CONVENTION.
Rev. T. Gardiner Littell.

TREASURER OF CONVENTION.
Gregg Chandler, Wilmington.

SECRETARY OF CONVENTION.
S. M. Curtis, Newark.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY.
George H. Bates, Wilmington.

ATTEST, S. M. CURTIS, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Church of the Ascension, Claymont,

REV. P. B. LIGHTNER. Rector.

REV. JNO. B. CLEMSON, D. D., Emeritus Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 3; Adult, 1; Total	4
Confirmed	2
Communicants—Number last reported	52
" Present number	52
Funerals	1
SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES.	
Teachers	6
Scholars	45
CONTRIBUTIONS.	
Missions—Diocesan	11 79
" Domestic, (including Indian and Colored Home Missions)	82 60
American Church Building Fund	19 07
Total	101 67
Communion Alms and Charitable Aid	20 96
Bible, Prayer Book, &c.	6 51
Diocesan Charges	8 00
Episcopate	31 90
Parochial, Current Expenses	806 14
Sunday School Organ	92 50
Church and Rectory Repairs	129 03
	$1,196 81

The Report is necessarily imperfect in some particulars, the Rectorship having been vacant for several months, and the present Rector having entered upon his duties in January of the current year.

Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred.

Baptisms—Infant, 5; Adult, 1; Total		6
Confirmed		5
Communicants—Number last reported	45	
Since died		2
Added		5
Present number		48
Marriages		2
Funerals		2

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES.

Teachers	10
Scholars	120

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms and Charitable Aid	13	96
Societies—Education, Bible, Prayer Book, &c.	20	00
Diocesan Charges	8	00
Endowment of Episcopate	15	00
Parochial	845	00
Other purposes	1,490	58
Total	$2,392	54

St. John's Church, Wilmington.

REV. T. GARDINER LITTELL, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 21; Adult, 2; Total		23
Confirmed		6
Communicants—number last reported	151	
" died	7	
" lost by removal	9	
" gained by removal	15	
" added	6	
Present number		156
Marriages		5
Burials		11
Sunday Schools		3
Bible Classes		2
Teachers		20
Scholars		280
Public Services—On Sundays 116; other days 147; total		263

Children catechised every Sunday.

OFFERINGS.

Alms	$ 66	08
Sunday Schools	81	77

Rectory Fund	169 35
Repairs and Improvements	348 16
Current expenses	2372 10
Endowment of the Episcopate	30 00
Diocesan Expenses	82 71
Fund for Disabled Clergymen	41 32
Theological Student	6 00
Church Temperance Society	28 35
Missions—Diocesan	59 82
" Jews	5 10
" Colored People	25 34
" Domestic	86 30
" Foreign	33 45
" General Missionary Fund	20 75
" Three boxes for Missionaries, value	210 00
Total	$3666 60

St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

RT. REV. ALFRED LEE, RECTOR.

REV. CHARLES E. MURRAY, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—Infant 18; Adult 2; Total		20
Confirmed		8
Communicants—rembved	9	
" Died	7	
" Withdrawn	6	
" Added	23	
Present Number		267
Marriages		10
Funerals		16

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

St. Andrew's, Teachers, 29; Scholars	253
Robert Smith (colored,) Teachers 21; Scholars	173
Schools 2; Teachers 50; Scholars	426

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Missions—Diocese of Delaware	$ 64 18	
Missionary in Montana	75 00	
Mexico, Scholarship	40 00	
" By Mexican Band	125 00	
Africa, Scholarship	50 00	
Other objects	12 45	
Robert Smith School, Missions in the South	18 50	
Total from Sunday Schools		$385 13

Brought over			$385 13
CHURCH OFFERINGS.			
Missions—Diocesan, General, $135; St. George's Church, I. R. $90		255 00	
Domestic, General Board, $42; Jewish Mission	$ 38 07		
Per Ladies' Sewing Society, boxes.	150 00	230 07	
Foreign, General Board $60; Mexican League $62		122 00	$577 07
Charitable, Communion Alms, and other aid.	220 78		
Clergy Relief, General, 30; Diocesan, 20	50 00		$270 78
Societies—State Bible	25 00		
Evangelical Education	72 11		
Evangelical Knowledge	31 25		$128 36
Parochical—Organ $300,00; Sunday School	72 00		$372 00
Diocesan—Apportionment for Episcopate	115 12		
Convention Expenses	30 00		$145 12
Current Expenses not included.			$1878 46

Among the losses sustained during the past year we regret the death of Samuel Harlan Jr., who served for more than twenty years as warden and vestryman. Mr. Harlan was widely known and highly esteemed in the community as an energetic, upright and successful business man, to whose enterprise and integrity the City of Wilmington is largely indebted. By those who knew him intimately he was known as a sincere and faithful christian. After several years of infirm health, compelling him to retire from active pursuits, he departed this life in the City of Vienna, Austria, February 6th, 1883.

Trinity Church, Wilmington.

REV. HENRY B. MARTIN, M. D., RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infant, 85; Adult, 2; Total	87
Communicants—number last reported	199
Died, 7; added, 44	
Present number	236
Marriages	5
Funerals	40
Sunday School Teachers	30
" " Scholars	210
Public Services	316
Holy Communions	51
Sermons	141
Lectures and Addresses	77

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 20 00
" Domestic	10 00
Total	$ 30 00
Charitable	176 48
Diocesan Charges	22 00
Parochial	4 534 65
Total	$4,763 13

We report satisfactory progress and a very encouraging prospect in all our work. Congregations increasing in number. The old church has been put in thorough repair, and painted inside and out, at a cost of about $600.00; it was reopened for public services on the 9th Sunday after Trinity, August 6th, last. The old chapel, corner of 5th and King streets, was vacated on the 8th Sunday after Trinity, July 30th,—the last services in it being held on that day. The new Sunday School Building, at present used for Divine Services, was opened on the 18th Sunday after Trinity, October 8th, 1882, the Bishop of the Diocese preaching the opening sermon. The large church organ has been re-built, and a hydraulic motor attached. The work in the old church, which was temporarily interrupted a few months ago, has assumed a much more encouraging and satisfactory shape than at any time during my Rectorship. The chapel and old church guilds are in active operation and performing very efficient work in the Parish. The number of communicants above reported, comprise only those whom the Rector has been able to find. The Rev. Mr. Lewis ceased to be connected with the parish, as temporary assistant to the Rector, on March 1st, last. During the past year we have been much indebted to the Rev. John Martin for valuable help and assistance in our Parish work.

HENRY B. MARTIN,
Rector.

Calvary Church, Wilmington,

REV. GEO. W. DUBOIS, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 16; Adult, 2; Total	18
Confirmed	14
Communicants—last reported	148
" since died	2
" lost by removal	9
" added	16
Present number	153
Marriages	5
Funerals	9

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Teachers	24
Scholars	214

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	17 00
" Domestic	5 00
" Foreign	10 00
" To Jews	5 00
" To Church at Crossicks, N. J.	6 70
Total Missions	$ 43 70
Disabled Clergy Fund	5 50
Communion and Offertory Alms in Aid of Sick Poor	129 58
Societies—Bible and Prayer Book Societies	2 50
Diocesan Charges	8 00
Apportionment for Episcopate	27 20
Parochial—Repairs to Church Edifice and Incidentals	557 27
Parish Visitor, British Workman and Publications	51 25
Total exclusive of Rector's salary	$825 00

This parish is now, for the first time in its history, dependent wholly upon its own resources. "We are perplexed, but not in despair."

Statement of St. Mark's Parish.

April 1 to June 3—Sunday School	
Number of scholars now on the roll	112
Average attendance	60

SCHOLARS DIVIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Main School—male	49
" female	49
Bible classes for adults—male	10
" " " female	13
Primary School for Infants—male	6
" " " " female	8
Teachers—male	2
" female	14

We have one hundred copies of Hutchin's Sunday School Hymnal.

A number of Calvary catechisms given to the children.

One hundred copies of the Sunday School Leaflet, edited by the Rev. Dr. Tatlock.

Over three hundred Sunday School picture papers for distribution.

Three framed mottoes on the wall.

A very fine toned Clough and Warren organ.

Fifty volumes of Whittaker's Sunday School Library Books in case, all new.

We are in no debt, but have in the Sunday School Treasury $14.60.

St. Mark's Guild numbers about forty-five adults, active in the Parish.

A *Sunday School Teachers Association* meets weekly to prepare the Sunday lesson, and practice the Sunday School music.

The regular *Church Choir* keeps up its organization by occasional rehearsals. The choir at present numbers nine voices.

Sunday School offerings for ten Sundays, $27.35.

Christ Church, Christiana Hundred.

REV. D. D. SMITH, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 15; Adult, 2; Total			17
Confirmed			4
Communicants—last reported	135		
" removed	2		
" lost	2		
" died	2		
" added	4		
Present number			133
Funerals			5
Sunday School Teachers			14
" " Scholars			103

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	86 27		
" Aid of Clergy	97 77		
		$184	04
" Domestic—private	110 00		
" American Church Miss. Soc	138 70		
" " Ladies' Auxiliary	254 52		
" Poor Churches	150 00		
" Theological Seminary, Va	40 00		
		$693	22
" Foreign—private	85 00		
" Collection in Church	94 69		
" " Sunday School	35 31		

Missions—Missionary Box	10 00	
" 5 Cent Collection	220 55	
" Women's Union Mission Society	50 00	
" Mexican League	88 40	
		$ 583 95
Total Missions		$1461 21
Evangelical Education Society		45 00
American Tract Society		37 00
American Bible Society		64 43
Colonization Society		50 00
Church Seaman's Society, Phila.		50 00
Communion Alms		103 68
Diocesan Charges		110 00
Church Expenses, &c.		125 56
Total offerings		$2046 88

June 4th 1883.

Immanuel Parish, New Castle.

REV. C. S. SPENCER, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infant, 16; Adult, 4; Total	20
Confirmed	8
Communicants—Died	3
" Lost by removal	4
" Added	6
" Present number	96
Marriages	3
Funerals	17
Sunday Schools	2
Bible Class	1
Teachers	17
Scholars	200

AMOUNT OF OFFERINGS RECEIVED FOR YEAR ENDING MAY 31st, 1883.

For General purposes	$ 140 79
" Conversion of Jews	5 05
" Diocesan—Missions	36 12
" Freedmen of the South	42 58
" Indian Commission	9 70
" Sunday School Library	6 87
" Increase of Ministry	6 75
" Prayer Books and Hymnals	11 91

For Nashotah Mission	20 07
" Disabled Clergy Fund	7 10
" Domestic Missions	90 14
" American Church Building Fund	37 25
" Foreign Missions	56 47
" School at Niobrara	57 24
Communion Alms	95 00
Total	$622 74

St. James Church, Newport.

REV. W. D. HANSON, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infant	6
Communicants—number last reported	23
" Removed	7
" Added	1
" Present number	17
Marriages	1
Funerals	3

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 1 00
" Domestic (American Church Missionary Society)	1 52
" Foreign	3 00
" Foreign (Mexico)	3 00
Total	8 52
Disabled Clergy Fund of Diocese	$ 1 50
Communion Alms	2 32
Diocesan charges	5 00
Parochial	153 27
Total	$ 170 61

St. James' Church near Stanton,

REV. W. D. HANSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 4; Adult 1; Total	5
Communicants—number last reported	68
Died	1
Removed	2
Added	1
Present number	66

Marriages		2
Funerals		9
Sunday Schools, and Bible Classes -Teachers		6
Scholars		25

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan		4 00
" Domestic, (Am. Ch. Miss. Soc.)		7 16
" Foreign, (Boxes)		8 23
" " (Mexico)		7 00
Total		$ 26 39
Disabled Clergy Fund of Diocese		3 50
Alms		11 02
Diocesan Charges		8 00
Parochial		600 84
Total		$ 649 75

St. Thomas' Church, Newark.

REV. JOSEPH A. STONE, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 2, Total		2
Communicants—number last reported		65
" since died		2
" lost by removal		2
" added		10
" present number		71
Marriages		1
Funerals		3
Teachers		4
Scholars		24

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 80 00	
" Domestic	54 29	
" Foreign	84 29	
Total		$218 58
Diocesan Disabled Clergy Fund		4 00
Communion alms and Charitable aid		52 94
Societies—Education, Bible, Prayer book, &c		25 00
Diocesan charges		30 00
Parochial		100 63
Church at Middletown		25 00
Chancel window		65 00
Sewing circle		53 00
Total		$ 583 15

The ladies of the Parish have placed a new and beautiful stained glass window in the chancel, and also an exceedingly neat altar-cloth, wrought with great taste, upon the Communion Table, "in loving remembrance of the many virtues and pure life of the late Mrs. Stone," the deceased wife of the Rector. I have been compelled by failing health to resign my long and happy rectorship of this Parish, to take effect on the 3rd Sunday after Trinity, June 10th.

Christ Church, Delaware City.

REV. DAVID HOWARD, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 2; Adult 1; Total	3
Confirmed	11
Communicants—Number last reported	30
" Since died	1
" Added	12
" Present Number	41
Marriages	1
Funerals	4
Sunday Schools	1
" " Bible Classes	1
" " Teachers	8
" " Scholars	57
Public Services—Sundays	104
" " Other Days	92
" " Total	196
Holy Communion,	31

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 12 19
Holy Communion and Charitable Aid	38 64
Diocesan Charges	40 00
Endowment of Episcopate	2 60
Sunday School Offerings	28 00
Current Expenses including Rector's Salary	652 02
Church Improvement and other purposes	308 15

St. Anne's Church, Middletown.

Diocesan Charges	$ 39 50
Parochial	1,166 00
New Church	9,028 39
Total	$10,227 89

H. N. WILLITS.

St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.

REV. W. B. GORDON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 5; Total	5
Communicants—Number last reported	78
Removed	2
Died	2
Added	6
Present Number	80
Marriages	1
Funerals	8
Sunday School—Teachers	6
" " Scholars	75
Total	81
Public Services	177

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 45 97
" Domestic	29 55
" Foreign	24 55
" Jews	5 00
Total for Missions	105 07
Diocesan Disabled Clergy Fund	10 40
Diocesan Charges	25 40
Endowment of Episcopate	33 60
Church Aid Society	40 00
Parochial, including Current Expenses	1,565 57
Sunday School Easter Offering	51 52
Charitable	48 21
Total offerings for all purposes	$1,879 77

Christ Church, Dover.

REV. LEWIS W. GIBSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 2; Adult 3; Total	5
Confirmed	7
Communicants—Last Reported	96
" Died	2
" Removed	3
" Added, by first Communion	4
" " by removal	4
" Present Number	99
Marriages	5
Burials	5

Sunday Schools—Dover—Scholars	60
" " Teachers	11
" Camden—Scholars	40
" " Teachers	5
Public Services—Sundays	112
" Other days	96
Total	208

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial—Rector's Salary	$ 1,014 29
Church Expenses	300 00
Sunday Schools	117 11
Rectory	195 00
Charities	51 33
Total	$1,678 73
Extra Parochial—Disabled Clergy Fund, (Diocesan)	22 58
" " " " (General)	25 00
Diocesan Charges	47 07
Episcopal Endowment	11 00
Diocesan Missions	35 75
Domestic "	12 28
General "	11 42
To the Jews	7 64
	$172 74
	1,678 73
Total	$ 1,851 47

Christ Church, Milford.

REV. L. H. JACKSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 9; Adult 1; Total	10
Confirmed	2
Communicants—Number last reported	69
" Since died	1
" Lost by removal	3
" Added	10
" Present Number	75
Marriages	3
Funerals	3
Sunday School—Teachers	6
Scholars	48
Public Services	115

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions	$ 5 00
Diocesan Disabled Clergy Fund	2 00
Communion Alms	16 38
Diocesan Charges	33 00
Parochial	49 75
Sunday School	8 48
Total	$114 61

REMARKS.

Of the Confirmation class of six persons, only two were able to be present on account of the heavy rain which prevailed on the day of the Bishop's visit.

In addition to my regular parish work, and mission at Harrington, I have officiated at the church of St. John Baptist, Milton, ten times, since October last, thus assisting in keeping up regular services.

St. Stephen's Church, Harrington.

REV. L. H. JACKSON, Missionary.

At Harrington we have four families and several individuals connected with St. Stephen's, among whom there are four communicants.

I have officiated ten times, since October last, and find the work encouraging. Since the 1st of February I have held services twice a month, and there has been an average attendance of fifty-one persons. Through the kindness of the Rev. J. Leighton McKim we have the use of an organ, which adds greatly to the interest of the services.

The contributions, amounting to $8.21, have been appropriated to the payment of incidental expenses.

St. John Baptist, Milton.

Baptisms--Adult 1; Total	1
Confirmed	1
Communicants—Number last reported	17
" Since died	1
" Lost by removal	6
" Added	5
" Present number	15
Funerals	1
Sunday Schools and Bible Classes	
" " Teachers	8
" " Scholars	31

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Charges	$	3 co
Episcopate		9 80
Parochial		110 00
Total	$	122 80

St. Paul's Church, Georgetown.

REV. BENJAMIN F. DOUGLASS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 9; Adult, 2; Total	11
Confirmed	4
Communicants—number last reported	46
" since died	1
" lost by removal	3
" lost otherwise	5
" added	11
" present number	48
Marriages	3
Funerals	4
Public services	145
Sunday School—Teachers	8
" " Scholars	50

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$	5 00
" Domestic		5 00
" Foreign		3 00
Disabled Clergy Fund		10 00
Communion Alms		20 00
New York Bible & Prayer Book Society		2 00
Diocesan charges		19 60
Endowment of Episcopate		10 00
Parochial		150 00
Other purposes (envelope collections)		300 00
Total	$	524 60

St. Peter's Church, Lewes.

REV. T. A. WATERMAN, in charge.

Baptisms—Infant	4
Funerals	4
Present number of Communicants	30
Scholars in Sunday Schoo', about	40
Teachers	
Public Services	120

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions	$ 15 00
Diocesan Charges	16 00
Communion Alms	10 00

I assumed charge of this parish with the concurrence of the Bishop of the Diocese, on the 19th day of last February, the Church having been closed since the departure of the Rev. Thomas McClintock, December 7th, 1882. My official acts are with the parish report for the past year. The members of the Ladies' Aid Society, meeting weekly, are making strenuous efforts to purchase a rectory, thus permanently securing the service of a resident presbyter.

St. Luke's Church, Seaford.

REV. GEORGE S. FITZHUGH, Rector.

Confirmed	6
Communicants—Number last reported	104
" died	3
" lost	3
" added by confirmation	6
" present number	104
Funerals	4
Sunday Schools	1
Scholars	70
Teachers	10
Public services since January 21st 1883	35
Sunday School services	10

CONTRIBUTIONS.

To current parochial expenses	$ 50 00
To the general fund for disabled clergymen, and widows and orphans of deceased clergymen	10 00
To salary of rector	125 00

I have only been Rector of this Parish since January 21st, 1883, and conducted no services in the Parish before that date.

Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Philip's, Laurel.

GEO. S. FITZHUGH, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 3; Total	3
Confirmed	1
Communicants—Number last reported	64
" Lost by removal	3
" Added	2
" Present number	53

Marriages	1
Funerals	1
Sunday Schools and Bible Classes—Teachers	8
" " " Scholars	55

CONTRIBUTIONS.

General Fund, Disabled Clergy	$ 7 50
Communion alms and Charitable aid	7 70
Diocesan Charges	12 50
Rector's Salary	275 00
Current Expenses	60 00
Church Building	300 00
Total	$ 635 00

REMARKS.

In revising the list of Communicants, I find a mistake of ten (10) in last years report, I have now made the correction.

Rev. George W. Johnson, Missionary in Sussex Co.

To the Bishop of the Diocese of Delaware.

As your Missionary I would respectfully report:

Baptisms—adult 2, children 6, total	8
Added by confirmation	6
Communicants last report	80
Removed	2
Died	2
Added	3
Present number	85
Marriages	4
Funerals	4
Sunday Schools, Teachers	20
" " Scholars	260
Public services—Sunday	82
" " Week day	27
Total	109

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Interest on Apportionment	$ 8 00
Convention expenses	5 00
Diocesan Missions	36 88
Toward the salary of the Missionary	53 00
To church improvement	447 57
Amonnt carried forward	$ 550 45

Amount brought forward	$ 550 45
Incidental expenses	20 00
Toward the payment of arrears on St. Andrew's	90 00
Arrears on Chapel of the Comforter	63 00
Sunday School expenses	25 00
Total	$ 748 45

Reviewing the work of the past year, though not as successful as I could wish, yet, I feel a good degree of encouragement, as compared with former years, especially in Sunday School work.

St. George's, Indian River, has been thoroughly remodeled and repaired, which was a work of necessity. It has cost $800.00, six hundred of which has been received on subscription fron friends connected with the parish: Our resources are about exhausted. I have just learned that $90.00 have been raised by friends of my work, in St. Andrew's Parish, Wilmington, and $10.00 from Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D. We truly appreciate their very kind and timely aid, thanking God and them for it.

My four churches and Sunday schools are all in harmonious work toward the great end for which the Church of Christ has been established.

The following is a detailed account of the work in the four churches:

St. George's.

Baptisms—Children	4
Confirmed	2
Communicants at last report	21
Present number	23
Marriages	3
Funerals	3
Sunday School—Teachers	4
" " Scholars	30
Public services—Sunday, closed a part of the year for repairs,	16
" " Week day	7

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions, Diocesan	6 50
Diocesan Charges	2 00
Episcopate	2 00
For Salary of Missionany	35 00
Repairs or rebuilding	447 57
Incidental expenses	15 00
Total	$ 508 07

Chapel of the Comforter, Long Neck.

Communicants	14
Sunday School—Teachers	5
" " Scholars	40
Public Services	22
Week day	6
Total	28

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions--Diocesan	$ 1 00
Diocesan Charges	1 00
Episcopate	2 00
For salary of Missionary	18 00
For rebuilding	63 00
Total	$ 85 00

St. Mark's, Little Creek, Hd.

Communicants, last report	39
Removed	2
Added	2
Present number	39
Marriages	1
Funerals	1
Sunday Schools—Teachers	5
" " Scholars	90
Public services—Sunday	22
" " Week day	7

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan	$ 20 00
Incidental expenses	3 00
Interest from bank stock	12 00
Diocesan charges	2 00
Episcopate	4 00
Total	$ 41 00

St. Andrew's, Ellis Grove.

Baptism—Adult 2, Children 2, Total	4
Confirmed	4
Communicants, last report	5
Added	1

Present number	9
Funerals	1
Sunday School—Teachers	10
" " Scholars	115
Public Services	22
Week day	7
Total	29

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions, Diocesan	8 00
On the debt of the church	90 00
Sunday School expenses	5 00
Total	$ 103 00

St. John's Church Greenville.

REV. WILLIAM ROBERT ELLIS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant	6
Communicants—last reported	35
" died	3
" present number	32
Marriages	1
Funerals	5
Public services—Sundays	20
" other days, 8; total	28
Sunday School—teachers	8
" scholars	63

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions	$ 1 38
" charges	7 00
Communion alms	5 00
Other purposes	10 00
Total	$ 23 38

During the year I preached several times at a school house near Lowe's Cross roads.

St. Mark's Church, Millsboro.

REV. WILLIAM ROBERT ELLIS, Rector.

Funerals	2
Communicants—present number	13

Marriages	12
Public Services—Sundays	23
" " other days	24
Total	47
Sunday School—teachers	6
" " scholars	47

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions	$ 1 33
" charges	4 00
Communion alms	3 00
Church improvements and other purposes	49 75
Total	$ 58 08

Grace Church, Baltimore Mills.

REV. WILLIAM ROBERT ELLIS, Rector.

Communicants	8
Marriage	1
Public Services—Sundays	14
" " other days	1
Total	15

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions	$ 2 04
" charges	4 00
Church improvements and other purposes	20 00
Total	$ 26 04

Chapel of St. John's School for Boys, Faulkland.

REV. FREDRICK THOMPSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 2; Adult 1; Total	3
Confirmed	8
Removed	3
Added	8
Present Number	21
Funeral	1
Services	124
Contributions	$ 175 00

REMARKS.

The school has met with good success during the year, and the outlook for the future is very encouraging: The attendance at all the public services has continued good.

SEAFORD, June 9th, 1883.

The following is my report of services during the past Convention year.

Sussex County, Del.

Baptisms—Adult 3; Children 8; Total	11
Marriages	1
Funerals	4
Public Services	2

GEO. HALL.

EXTRACT FROM JOURNAL OF 1882.

3. *Resolved*, that any parish which has, or may hereafter contribute, either of itself or by its members, for the endowment of the Episcopate, the full amount apportioned to it uuder the aforenamed resolution shall, thereafter, be free from any assessment for the support of the Episcopate until such time as, by resolution of the Convention, $30,000 shall have been declared to be insufficient as an Episcopal Endowment Fund. Any parish which has or may hereafter contribute, in the manner aforesaid, an amount in excess of the sum now apportioned to it, such excess shall remain as a credit to it on account of any future apportionment.

4 *Resolved*, that the committee provided for in Canon X, be instructed to assess each parish, as its portion for the support of the Episcopate for the coming year, a sum equal to four per cent. on the balance of its apportionment unpaid, and for each succeeding year, increase the sum so assessed one-half of one per cent. upon the remaining balance until the sum assessed upon each parish for the Episcopal Fund shall be equal to six per cent. upon the balance of its apportionment remaining unpaid, after which the assessment shall continue at the rate of six per cent. upon such unpaid balance. Parishes that have paid their apportionment in full, or hereafter when they have done so, shall be exempt from assessment for the Episcopal fund by said committee, except in the manner provided for in the preceding resolution.

5. *Resolved*, that in the future, assessments under Canon X for the support of the Episcopate, be paid to the treasurer of the "Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware," and shall become due, one-half within thirty days after the adjournment of the Convention, and the remainder, six months thereafter.

7 *Resolved*, that the respective parishes are earnestly urged, as an act of duty, and in consideration of the terms of the above resolutions, to contribute to the Endowment Fund for the support of the Episcopate, the balances remaining unpaid upon the apportionment made upon them, respectively.

APPORTIONMENT.

Name of Parish.	Amount.	Credit.	Balance.	Interest.	Convention Expenses.
Ascension, Claymont,	$ 900 00	$ 102 57	$ 797 43	$ 35 90	$ 8 00
Grace, Brandywine Hd	400 00	35 70	364 30	16 39	4 00
Calvary, " "	100 00	10 60	89 40	4 04	3 00
St. John's, Wilmington,	2,000 00	212 35	1,787 65	80 44	10 00
St. Andrew's, "	7,750 00	4,872 00	2,878 00	129 51	30 00
Trinity, "	3,000 00	238 88	2,761 12	124 25	25 00
Calvary, "	700 00	20 00	680 00	30 60	8 00
Christ, Christiana Hd,	2,250 00		2,250 00	101 21	20 00
Immanuel, New Castle,	3,500 00	3,505 96			25 00
St. James, Stanton,	1,600 00	2,089 37			8 00
" " Newport,	500 00	633 80			5 00
St. Thomas, Newark,	900 00	273 07	626 93	28 21	8 00
Christ, Delaware City,	300 00	20 02	279 98	12 60	5 00
St. Anne's, Appoquinimink,	800 00	12 03	787 97	35 46	8 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	1,000 00	644 78	355 22	15 98	10 00
Christ, Dover,	1,000 00	84 31	915 69	41 20	10 00
" Milford,	800 00	125 00	675 00	30 37	6 00
St. John Baptist, Milton,	250 00	5 00	245 00	11 02	3 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	500 00	20 00	480 00	21 60	5 00
St. Peter's, Lewes,	500 00	100 00	400 00	18 00	5 00
St. George's, Indian River,	100 00		100 00	4 50	3 00
St. Luke's, Seaford,	600 00	11 94	588 06	26 46	8 00
Christ, Broad Creek, } St. Philip's, Laurel, }	250 00	8 25	241 75	10 88	4 00
St. Mark's, Little Creek,	100 00		100 00	4 50	2 00
St. John's, Greenville,	100 00		100 00	4 50	3 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	50 00		50 00	2 25	2 00
Grace, Baltimore Mills,	50 00		50 00	2 25	2 00
	$30,000 00	$13,025 63	$17,603 50	$ 792 12	$ 230 00

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Clergy, canonically resident	29
Candidates for Orders	2
Clergymen settled in Parishes, and Missionaries	18
" having more than one charge	7
" dismissed	4
" received	4
Parishes	31
Churches and Chapels	37
Baptisms,—infant 247, adult 30, total,	277
Confirmed	92
Communicants—removed	69
" died	47
" lost otherwise	16
" added	207
" present number	2101
Marriages	67
Funerals	166
Sunday Schools—Teachers	304
" Scholars	2639

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions, Diocesan	$ 862 09	
" Domestic	1,844 60	
" Foreign	1,158 64	
" Not specified	59 62	
Total		$3,919 95
Disabled Clergy Fund		200 40
Charitable		1,098 10
Diocesan—Convention Charges		231 00
" Apportionment for support of Episcopate		607 56
" Endowment of Episcopate		96 20
Societies—Education, Bible, Prayer Book, &c.		433 81
Parochial		29,764 71
Other purposes		87 00
Total		$36,433 39

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention will be held in Christ Church, Delaware City, on the first Wednesday in June, 1884.

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Parochial.	Other Purposes.	Total.	Current Expenses.
1027 67	.....	$1196 71	included.
2335 58	.....	2405 63	included.
.....	.....	6 58	
1971 38	.....	3666 60	included.
372 00	.....	1868 46	not included.
1534 65	.....	4763 13	included.
608 52	.....	825 00	not included.
27 35	.....	27 35	
125 56	50 00	2046 88	not included.
122 66	.....	622 74	not included.
153 27	.....	170 61	included.
600 84	.....	649 75	included.
227 63	.....	586 23	not included.
988 17	.....	1077 60	included.
188 39	.....	10 227 91	included, and re building of Ch.
657 09	.....	1875 77	included.
627 40	.....	1851 47	included.
58 23	.....	104 61	not included.
110 00	....	122 80	included.
450 00	.....	529 60	included.
.....	.....	46 00	not included.
578 57	.....	593 07	included.
175 00	37 00	253 52	included.
635 0.	.....	663 87	included.
15 00	.....	41 00	included.
95 00	.....	103 00	included.
10 00	.....	23 38	included.
49 75	.....	58 08	included.
20 00	.....	26 04	included.
.....	.....	.....	
.....	.....	.....	
764 71	$87 00	$36433 39	

Treasurers' Accounts.

DR. *G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.*

1882.			
June 7	To Balance in Treasury		$290 51
"	To cash from	Ascension Church, Claymont	35 00
"	" "	Grace, Brandywine Hundred	8 00
"	" "	Calvary, " "	5 00
"	" "	St. James', Newport, 1880 and 1881	14 00
"	" "	St. Peter's, Lewes, "	5 00
"	" "	St. Peter's, Lewes	20 00
"	" "	Christ Church, Delaware City, 1880	20 00
"	" "	St. Paul's, Georgetown, 1880	11 00
"	" "	" " on acct. 1881	10 00
"	" "	Christ Church, Milford, on acct. 1880	9 00
"	" "	Christ Church, Milford	30 00
"	" "	St. Luke's, Seaford, on acct. 1880	24 25
"	" "	St. Thomas', Newark	30 00
"	" "	St. Anne's, Appoquinimink	40 00
"	" "	St. Peter's, Smyrna	45 00
"	" "	Christ Church, Dover	45 00
"	" "	St. George's, Indian River	8 00
"	" "	St. Philip's, Laurel	14 00
"	" "	St. Mark's, Millsboro	3 00
"	" "	Grace, Baltimore Mills	2 00
"	" "	St. John's, Greenville	7 00
"	" "	St. Mark's, Little Creek	2 00
"	" "	Collection at Convention for St. Anne's Church, Middletown	25 73
" 12	" "	St. John's, Wilmington	50 00
" 18	" "	Immanuel, New Castle	95 00
" "	" "	Trinity, Wilmington	115 00
1883.			
Feb. 21	" "	St. John Baptist, Milton	8 00
" 26	" "	Christ Church, Delaware City	20 00
Mar. 20	" "	St. Paul's, Georgetown	15 00
April 21	" "	Christ, Christiana Hundred, for 1882	20 00
May 5	" "	Calvary Church, Wilmington, for 1882	8 00
" 15	" "	St. Andrew's, Wilmington, for 1882	80 00
" "	" "	Christ Church, Dover	10 00
" 21	" "	St. Luke's, Seaford, for 1880	2 00
" "	" "	" " for 1881	35 00
	Total		1111 49

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware. CR.

1882.				
June	7	By cash paid	Sexton of Christ Church, Milford	$ 5 00
"		" "	S. M. Curtis, for expenses on Journals, etc.	9 42
"		" "	H. N. Willits, towards rebuilding Church at Middletown	25 73
"	12	" "	W. J. Fell, for printing report of Committee	5 25
"	18	" "	Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D	554 00
"	28	" "	James & Webb	114 28
July	14	" "	James & Webb	91 00
1883.				
Mar	21	" "	Ferris Bros.	8 00
"	"	" "	G. Chandler, stamps and envelopes	1 50
May	29	" "	Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.	60 00
June	4		Balance in Treasury	241 71
				1111 49

Examined and found correct.

June 6, 1883.

WM. P. CRESSON,
JAMES PONDER.

[SUPPLEMENTARY.]

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.

1883. DR.

June 6	To Balance in Treasury			$ 241 71
"	To Cash from	Ascension Church, Claymont		8 00
"	" "	Grace, Brandywine Hundred		4 00
"	" "	Calvary, " "		3 00
"	" "	St. James', Newport		5 00
"	" "	St. James', Stanton		8 00
"	" "	St. Peter's, Lewes		5 00
"	" "	Christ Church, Delaware City		5 00
"	" "	St Paul's, Georgetown		5 00
"	" "	Christ Church, Milford		6 00
"	" "	St. Luke's, Seaford		8 00
"	" "	St. Thomas', Newark		8 00
"	" "	St. Anne's, Appoquinimink		8 00
"	" "	St. Peter's, Smyrna		10 00
"	" "	St. George's, Indian River		8 00
"	" "	St. Philip's, Laurel		4 00
"	" "	St. Mark's, Little Creek		2 00
"	" "	St. Mark's, Millsboro		2 00
"	" "	Grace Church, Baltimore Mills		2 00
"	" "	St. John's, Greenville		3 00
"	" "	Immanuel, New Castle		25 00
"	" "	St. John Baptist, Milton		3 00
"	" "	St. John's, Wilmington		10 00
" 8	" "	Trinity, Wilmington		22 00

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.

1888.		CR.
June 6	By cash paid Sexton of St. Peter's, Lewes.....	$ 5 00
"	" " S. M. Curtis, for expenses on Journals, &c...	27 39

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

DR.

1882.			
June 7	To Cash, Balance in Bank		$514 79
" 13	" St. Andrew's Church, Wil., acct of int. on app't.		52 50
" 8	" Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred		18 00
" 20	" St. John's Church, Brandywine, acct of Principal		20 00
July 8	" Christ Church, Delaware City		2 60
" 22	" Christ Church, Dover		11 00
Sept. 27	" 6 mos. interest—J. Morrow, to 1st inst		125 00
" "	" 6 mos. interest—City Loan, to July 1st		80 00
Oct. 14	" 6 mos. interest—J. C. Higgins		200 00
Dec. 28	" St. John's Church, Wilmington		10 00
1883.			
Feb. 12	" St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington		62 62
April 10	" 6 mos. interest on City Loan to January 1, 1883.		80 00
" "	" 6 mos. interest, J. Morrow, March 1, 1883		125 00
" 11	" 6 mos. interest, J. C. Higgins, April 9, 1883		200 00
" 19	" Calvary Church, Wilmington. int. on app't.		27 20
" 28	" Christ Church, Christiana Hd., " "		90 00
May 9	" St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, " "		15 40
" "	" St. Peter's Church, account of Principal.		29 60
" 19	" Christ Church, Dover, interest on appp't.		37 07
" 21	" St. John's Church, Wil., " "		72 71
" "	" St. John's Church, Wil., Convention Fund		10 00
" 25	" St. Paul's, Georgetown, acct of En't Principal		5 00
" "	" W. J. Frost, John Anderson Fund		55 00
June 2	" W. J. Frost, " "		25 00
	Total		1768 49
" 4	To Cash, Balance in Bank		649 89

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

CR.

1882.		
Sept. 28	By Cash Paid Rt. Rev. A. Lee	$254 10
Oct. 18	" " " " "	200 00
1883.		
April 11	" " " " "	417 62
June 4	" " " "	242 88
"	By Cash, Balance in Bank	649 89
	Total	1,763 49

INVESTMENTS.

Bond and mortgage of Jas. Morrow, 5%	$ 5,000 00
" " John C. Higgins, 5%	8,000 00
Wilmington City Loan 6 per cent	1,000 00
Cash in Bank	649 89
	$ 14,649 89

Examined and found correct.

June 6, 1883.

WM. C. CHURCHMAN,
BENJ. J. MOORE.

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in Account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

DISABLED CLERGY FUND.

DR.

1882.		
June 7	To Cash Balance in Bank	298 71
July 26	" from R. J. H., special for Dr. Stewart	1 00
Sept 20	" " W. J. Frost, " " *	5 00
" 27	" 6 mos int. on City Loan, to May 1	30 00
Nov. 14	" T. G. Littell, special Dr. Stewart	5 00
"	" 6 mos. interest, D. H. Kent, to Oct. 20th	48 00
Dec. 21	" Loan of D. H. Kent paid	1600 00
"	" Interest D. H. Kent to this date	16 26
" 22	" W. J. Frost, special Dr Stewart	5 00
" 27	" Immanuel Church, New Castle	7 10
"	" St. Peter's Church, Smyrna	10 40
" 28	" St. John's Church, Brandywine	36 24
1883.		
Jan. 12	" " " Sunday School	5 12
"	" St. Thomas' Church, Newark	4 00
"	" Christ Church, Dover	22 58
Feb. 6	" Georgetown, special Dr. Stewart	10 00
"	" W. J. Frost, " "	10 00
Apr. 10	" 6 mos. interest City Loan, to Aug. 1, 1882	1 50
"	" " " " Feb. 1, 1883	1 50
"	" " " " Oct. 1, 1882	9 00
"	" " " " April 1, 1883	9 00
"	" " " " Nov. 1, 1882	30 00
May 9	" " " " May 1, 1883	30 00
" 17	" St. James' Church, Stanton	8 50
"	" St. James' Church, Newport	1 50
" 31	" Christ Church, Milford	2 00
June 4	" St Andrew's Church, Wilmington	20 00
"	" Calvary Church, Wilmington	5 50
	Total	2227 87
June 4	To Cash Balance in Bank	2191 87

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

DISABLED CLERGY FUND.

		CR.
1882.		
July 26	By Cash paid Dr. Stewart	$ 1 00
Sept 26	" " "	5 00
Nov. 28	" Ret'd to W. J. Frost*	5 00
Dec. 22	" Paid Dr. Stewart	5 00
1883.		
Feb. 6	" " Dr. Stewart	20 00
	Balance Cash in Bank	2191 87
		$2227 87

INVESTMENTS.

Wilmington City Loan, 6 per cent	1,350 00
Cash in Bank	2191 87
Total	$3,541 87

Examined and found correct.

WM. H. CHURCHMAN.
BENJ. J. MOORE.

June 6, 1883.

[SUPPLEMENT.]

INTEREST PAID ON THE APPORTIONMENT, JUNE 6th, 1883.

By Grace Church, Brandywine	$ 15 09
" St. Thomas', Newark	25 08
" St. Anne's, Appoquinimink	31 52
" Christ Church, Milford, on acct	17 00
" St. John's, Milton	9 80
" St. Peter's, Lewes	16 00
" St. Paul's, Georgetown	19 60
" St. George's, Indian River	4 00
" St. Luke's, Seaford	23 52
" Christ, Broad Creek, and Laurel	9 67
" St. Mark's, Little Creek	4 00
" St. John's, Greenville	4 00
" St. Mark's, Millsboro	2 00
" Grace, Baltimore Mills	2 00
" Calvary, Brandywine Hundred	3 58
" Christ Church, Delaware City	11 30
" Ascension, Claymont	31 90
	$230 06

Amount paid on principal by St. Paul's Church, Georgetown, $5 00

FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORT.

TO THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE:

Report of.....Church,

For the year ending June 1, 18..

REV.....Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, ; Adult, ; Total,.....
Confirmed.....
Communicants- Number last reported.....
Removed, ; Died, ; Lost, ; Added .. ....
Present number.....
Marriages.... .....
Funerals ....
Sunday Schools & Bible Classes—Teachers,
Scholars,

Public Services .....

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan, ; Domestic, ; .....
Foreign, ; Total.....
Disabled Clergy Fund of Diocese.....
Charitable.....
Diocesan Charges.....
Societies—Education, ; Bible. ; Prayer Book, &c. ;
Apportionment for Episcopate..... .....
Endowment of Episcopate.....
Parochial..... ....
Other Purposes..... .....
Total.....

REMARKS:

CONSTITUTION

AND

CANONS

OF THE

Protestant Episcopal Church,

IN THE

STATE OF DELAWARE.

1883.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Protestant Episcopal Church,

IN THE STATE OF DELAWARE.

ARTICLE I.

Of acceding to the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention.

This Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to, recognizes and adopts the general Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

Of the meeting of the Diocesan Convention.

The Annual Convention of this Diocese shall be held on the first Wednesday in June, in each year; alternately in each County in this State; (Provided, however, that in case of a prevailing contagious disease in the place thus designated; or a domestic insurrection in, or of an invasion of, the county so named for holding the Convention, by a public enemy—that the Bishop, with the approbation of the Standing Committee, or the Standing Committee, if there be no Bishop, may appoint such other place for the annual meeting of the Convention as they may deem expedient; of which change of the place of holding the Convention, due public notice shall be given, and also special notice to the ministers of the several parishes in this State,) at such place as a previous Convention may designate. The time of meeting may be altered, from time to time, by the Convention. And special Conventions may be called by the Bishop, or, if there be none, by the Standing Committee; one month's previous notice being given.

ARTICLE III.

Of members of the Convention.

The Convention shall be composed of the officiating Ministers regularly settled in some congregation in this Diocese; and of Lay Members, consisting of two delegates from each congregation, to be chosen by the Vestry thereof; or, if there be no Vestry, by the congregation. And Clergymen canonically resident in this diocese, who are engaged

as Professors, or Instructors of youth, in any Diocesan Institution, or in any Academy or Seminary of learning, officially recommended by the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee; and also Missionaries, under the Ecclesiastical Authority of this diocese, and Chaplains in the Navy or Army of the United States, may be members of the Convention.

Provided, that all such Clergymen shall have been actually and personally, and also canonically, resident within this State for not less than six calendar months next before the meeting of the Convention, and that all such Clergymen, engaged in the work of instruction only, and Chaplains, shall have been actually and personally, and also canonically, resident in this State, not less than twelve calendar months, next before such meeting.

The Bishop, and the Assistant Bishop, when there is one, whether belonging to this Diocese, or having charge of it provisionally, shall have a seat and vote in the Convention, and one of them shall preside. If there be none, the Convention shall elect for its President one of the Presbyters attending.

No Clergyman of advanced years or infirm health, who has been once entitled to a seat in the Convention, shall lose his right thereto by reason of having ceased from the active duties of his calling.

ARTICLE IV.

Of a Quorum.

Six members of the clerical, and twelve of the lay Order, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a smaller number may adjourn.

ARTICLE V.

Of the deliberations of the Convention.

In all matters that shall come before the Convention, the clergy and laity shall deliberate in one body; but if, upon any question, it be required by two members, the two Orders shall vote separately; (the lay delegation from each parish being entitled to but one vote, when required by the delegates of two parishes;) and the concurrence of a majority of each Order shall be necessary to give validity to any measure.

ARTICLE VI.

Of the Secretary of the Convention.

A Secretary shall be chosen immediately upon the assembling of the Annual Convention, from among the members thereof, by a joint ballot, who shall remain in office until the meeting of the next Convention. His duty shall be to take the minutes of their proceedings, to preserve their journals and records, to attest the public acts of the body, to publish the annual Journal under the supervision of the Bishop or presiding officer of the Convention, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Convention, which may be in his possession. He shall transmit, annually, to each of the Bishops of the Church in the United States, and to the Secretary of each Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal. He shall also transmit to every General Convention, a certificate signed by himself, containing a list of the Clergymen in this Diocese, and the

amount of the funds paid, or secured to be paid (distinguishing them) to the General Theological Seminary; and also a like certificate of the appointment of clerical and lay deputies. It shall also be his duty to give at least one months notice, in one or more newspapers published in this State, of the time and place of holding every Convention, whether stated or special.

When a vacancy occurs, during the recess of the Convention, in the office of Secretary, the Secretary of the Standing Committee shall perform the duties of the office, until the next meeting of the Convention.

ARTICLE VII.

Of the opening of the Convention.

Every Convention shall be opened by the celebration of Divine service, and of the Lord's Supper. And it shall be the duty of the Bishop, either to deliver a charge or sermon, or to appoint one of his Clergy to preach, at the opening of the Convention. If there be no Bishop, or none having provisional charge of the Diocese, the Standing Committee shall appoint the preacher.

ARTICLE VIII.

Of the Standing Committee.

Before the adjournment of each Annual Convention a Standing Committee shall be appointed by a concurrent ballot of both Orders, which shall consist of three of the Clergy and two of the laity. This committee shall continue in office until the end of the next Annual Convention, or until their successors are duly appointed. In case of vacancy occurring by death or otherwise, the remaining members of the committee shall, by ballot, supply the same. The Standing Committee shall, as soon as may be after their appointment, elect from their own body a president and secretary; and if either of these offices become vacant, the vacancy shall, without delay, be filled by another election. The president shall be a Presbyter. The Standing Committee shall present to each Annual Convention an abstract of the minutes of their proceedings since the former Convention.

ARTICLE IX.

Of the election of a Bishop.

The election of a Bishop of the Diocese shall be made in Convention in the following manner. The Order of the clergy shall nominate and appoint, by ballot, some fit and qualified Presbyter for that office; and the vote of two-thirds of that Order shall be requisite to constitute a choice; and thereupon, such appointment shall be presented to the Order of the lay delegates, and considered by them; and if, on a ballot, it should appear that the person so nominated be approved of by two-thirds of the lay Order, he shall then be declared to be duly elected. And upon a vacancy occurring in the Episcopal office in this church, by death or otherwise, such vacancy shall be supplied by an election in the manner before prescribed. No election for a Bishop shall be held, unless there be present at the time, three-fourths of all the clergy entitled to a seat in the Convention, and delegates from three-fourths of all the congregations in union with the same, and contributing to the Convention Fund.

ARTICLE X.

Of the trial of Clergymen.

SECTION 1. Any Presbyter or Deacon of this Diocese may be presented for trial for any crime or other offense, as provided in Canon 2, Title II, of the General Convention. *

SEC. 2. Every such presentment shall be made in writing to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, in case of a vacancy in the office of Bishop, to the President of the Standing Committee.

SEC. 3. A presentment shall specify with clearness and certainty the offense or offenses charged, and shall be signed by the persons making it.

SEC. 4. A presentment shall be made by a majority of the Vestry, in a vestry meeting duly convened, of the Parish with which the person accused is connected; or, if he be not connected with any parish in which he resides; or, if he do not reside within the limits of any parish, of the parish nearest to his place of residence; or by four or more male communicants of the same; or by two Presbyters of this Diocese; a presentment being always made by one of the above classes, exclusive of the others; and a Deacon not being permitted to unite in a presentment.

SEC. 5. Upon the receipt of any such presentment it shall be the duty of the Bishop, if he shall deem advisable after consultation with the Standing Committee, or of the president of the Standing Committee, as the case may be, after such advisement, to take measures for trial, and to furnish a copy of said presentment to the accused, giving him notice of the time and place of trial.

SEC. 6. The Bishop shall, thereupon, summon all the Presbyters of this Diocese, except such as may have presented, to meet at some convenient place within the same, on some day not less than thirty days after the date of said summons; of which Presbyters, any three or more attending, shall be the court for the trial of the party accused, to decide upon his guilt or innocence, and, if found guilty, to recommend a sentence by a majority of voices.

SEC. 7. A copy of the presentment and a notice of the summons of the said Presbyters shall be served upon the party accused, at least, twenty days before the day appointed for trial, by delivering the same to him personally, or leaving the same at his place of residence, or his last place of residence in this State, if he have left the same, or cannot be found.

SEC. 8 The judgment of the Court shall be delivered to the Bishop, with the records of the trial and the sentence recommended; and the Bishop may pronounce such canonical sentence as shall appear

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*CANONS OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

TITLE II, CANON 2.

Of offenses for which Ministers may be tried and punished

SEC. 1. Every Minister of this Church shall be liable to presentment and trial for the following offences, viz:

1. Crime or immorality.
2. Holding or teaching, publicly or privately, and advisedly, any doctrine contrary to that held by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.
3. Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention.
4. Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the Diocese to which he belongs.
5. Any act which involves a breach of his Ordination Vows.

And on being found guilty he shall be admonished, suspended, or degraded, according to the Canons of the Diocese in which the trial takes place, until otherwise provided for by the General Convention,

to him to be proper, provided such sentence shall not exceed in severity that recommended by the Court of trial; and his sentence shall be final; or, if the Bishop deem it necessary to justice, he may order a new trial, to be held as herein before directed.

SEC. 9. If there be no Bishop, the sentence of the Court shall be submitted to some neighboring Bishop, who may either order a new trial, or ratify and pronounce the said sentence, which shall then be final.

SEC. 10. Witnesses for the prosecution, and for the defense, at the request of the party accused, shall be summoned by t e said Court, for a full and impartial hearing of the whole matter.

SEC. 11 The party accused shall have a right to be present at the trial and to be heard in his defense; and may avail himself of the aid of counsel.

SEC. 12. The records of all proceedings on the presentment of a clergyman shall, after a final decision, be delivered to the Secretary of the Standing Committee, to be preserved with their papers.

SEC. 13. If the accused be acquitted, the Bishop, or President of the Standing Committee, as the case may require, shall give him a certificate of acquittal, embracing a copy of the presentment; and he shall not be subject to presentment again on the same charge.

ARTICLE XI.

Of a Clergyman accused by public rumor.

SECTION 1. Whenever, from public rumor or otherwise, the Bishop shall have reason to believe that a clergyman is under the imputation of having been guilty of any offense or misconduct for which he is liable to be tried, and that the interest of the Church requires an investigation, it shall be his duty to appoint two Presbyters, as a committee of inquiry, to examine into the truth of such rumors or allegations, according to the provisions of Sec. 2, of Canon 2, Title II, of the General Convention. *

SEC. 2. Should the crime, offense, misdemeanor, of which said clergyman is accused, be found supported, in whole or in part, upon such inquiry, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, unless upon consultation with the Standing Committee he shall deem such finding insufficient, to proceed to take measures for trial, as is provided in Article X of the Constitution.

ARTICLE XII.

Of the admission of new Parishes.

Any Protestant Episcopal congregation within this State, duly organized, but not in union with the Convention of this Diocese at the time of ordaining this Constitution, shall be entitled to the entire benefit thereof as soon as they shall signify their ratification of it either

* SEC. 2. If any Minister of this Church shall be accused by public rumor, of discontinuing all exercise of the ministerial office without lawful cause, or of living in the habitual disuse of public worship or of the holy Eucharist, according to the offices of this Church, or of being guilty of any or either of the offenses enumerated in the first Section, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, of the clerical members of the Standing Committee, to see that an inquiry be instituted as to the truth of such public rumor. And in case of the individual being proceeded against and convicted, according to such rules or process as may be provided by the Conventions of the respective Dioceses, he shall be admonished, suspended, or degraded, as the nature of the case may require, in conformity with their respective Constitutions and Canons.

in writing or by sending lay delegates as members of the Convention; and such congregation shall thereafter be benefited and bound by every rule or canon which shall be framed by any convention, acting under the constitution, for the government of this Church in ecclesiastical concerns.

ARTICLE XIII.

Of Ministers, members of Vestries.

The Presbyter who is settled as the minister of the parish shall be a member of the vestry thereof, and, when present, shall preside at its meetings.

ARTICLE XIV.

Of the mode in which the Constitution may be changed.

This Constitution shall be unalterable, except in the following manner: A proposition for any change shall be introduced in writing and considered in Convention, and, if approved of, the same shall be published at large in the Journal of the Convention, and, if again approved of, in the next ensuing Convention, by a majority of the two Orders voting thereon separately, the change shall take place, and the Constitution so altered shall be valid and obligatory.

CANONS

OF THE

Protestant Episcopal Church,

IN THE STATE OF DELAWARE.

CANON I.

A List to be made of the Clergy.

SEC. 1 Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church canonically resident in this Diocese, annexing the names of their respective cures or parishes, or stations as missionaries, or of the colleges, academies, or general seminaries of learning in which they are engaged, or in regard to those who are not engaged in parishes, missions, or institutions of learning as above mentioned, their places of residence only, distinguishing those who are entitled to seats in the Convention.

SEC. 2. The right of any Clergyman of this Diocese to a seat in the Convention shall, if disputed, be determined according to the provisions of the third article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

SEC. 3. If there be no Bishop, or none having provisional charge of this Diocese, the President of the Standing Committee shall prepare the said list, and lay it before the Convention.

CANON II.

Certificates of Lay Delegates.

The appointment of a lay delegate to the Convention of this Diocese shall be certified in writing by the Rector of the parish of which he is a representative, or by one of the wardens, or by the clerk or secretary of the vestry of such church; and no other certificate of such appointment shall be allowed or received. And no lay delegate shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention, unless he be eligible to the office of vestryman of the Church which he claims to represent.

CANON III.

Of the Treasurer of the Convention.

SEC. 1. There shall be appointed by Convention a Treasurer of the Church in this State, who shall be a man of good character and

responsibility. He shall be removed at the pleasure of the Convention; but, unless so removed, he shall continue in office until a successor is appointed. He shall keep a fair and exact account of all moneys received and paid by him; and shall lay before the Convention, annually, or oftener if required, a full and accurate statement of his accounts. He shall pay no money but by order of the Convention, and shall in all things relating to his office, conform to their rules and directions.

SEC. 2. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, during the recess of the Convention, it shall be supplied by an appointment to be made by the Standing Committee; and the person so appointed shall continue to act until an appointment is made by the Convention.

CANON IV.

Of Parish Registers and Parochial Reports.

SEC. 1. Whereas, by Canon XIV, SEC. 5, of Title I. of the General Convention, it is made the duty of every minister to keep a register of baptisms, confirmations, communicants, marriages, and funerals, within his cure, agreeably to such rules as may be provided by the Convention of the Diocese where his cure lies—it is hereby ordered, that the record shall specify the name and time of the birth of the child baptized, with the names of the parents and sponsors; the name of the adult baptized; the names of the persons confirmed; the names of all the communicants within his cure, as nearly as can be ascertained; the names of the parties married, and the authority under which the rite was celebrated; the names of the persons buried; and also the time when each rite was performed, or each new communicant admitted. These records shall be kept by the minister, in a book to be provided for that purpose by the vestry of each church; which book shall be the parish register, and shall be preserved by the vestry as a part of the records of the church.

Each minister shall also keep, as far as practicable, a list of all the families and adult persons within his cure, to remain for the use of his successor, and to be continued by him, and by the future ministers of the parish.

SEC. 2. And whereas, by Canon XVII, Sec. 1, of Title 1, of the General Convention, it is made the duty of each minister to present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every annual Convention, to the Bishop, or when there is none, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his cure, and of all other matters that may throw light on its condition; it is hereby further *ordered*, that in reporting the number of communicants, the minister shall state, besides the whole number at the time, the number of additions, removals and deaths since the last report.

SEC. 3. The above report shall also mention the number of teachers and scholars in Sunday Schools, and other catechumens connected with the parish—and the amount of contributions for religious and charitable objects, specifying them.

SEC. 4. When a parish is destitute of a minister, the register contemplated by this canon shall be kept by some person appointed by the Vestry for that purpose; and the annual parochial report shall be presented or forwarded, as ordered in SEC. 2, by the Wardens.

CANON V.

Of the Report to the General Convention.

A committee of the Convention of this Diocese shall be appointed at the stated meetings of the same next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to draft, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop, if there be one, a report of the state of the Church in this Diocese to be presented to the General Convention.

CANON VI.

Of the Deputies to the General Convention.

SEC. 1. Deputies to the General Convention shall be chosen by the concurrent ballot of the clerical and lay votes, at every stated Convention of this Diocese; and their appointment shall continue until the next stated Convention, or until others are chosen in their places

SEC. 2. If any deputy elected should discover his inability to attend the General Convention, he shall, immediately, notify the President of the Standing Committee of such inability; and it shall be the duty of the said Committee to fill vacancies from this, or any other cause, up to the times of meeting of General Conventions.

SEC. 3. Any vacancy in a Deputation to any General Convention existing at the time of its meeting, or occurring during its sessions, or at any session thereafter, may be supplied by the concurrent votes of the remaining Deputies.

SEC. 4. Clerical Deputies to the General Convention may present an account of their expenses in their travel and attendance to the Standing Committee, who shall make a reasonable allowance for the same, to be paid by the Treasurer of the Convention out of its funds.

CANON VII.

Of Lay Discipline.

SEC. 1. If a layman, repelled from the Holy Communion according to the rubric, shall complain thereof to the Bishop, according to Canon XII, Sec. 2, Title II, of the General Convention, the Bishop, [or his assistant Bishop,] whether belonging to this Diocese, or having provisional charge thereof, shall, unless he restore him to the Communion according to said canon, appoint two disinterested Clergymen, and two disinterested laymen who are communicants, to inquire into and try the case. If they report to the Bishop that the repelled person should be restored, the Bishop shall so direct; and no minister of this Diocese shall deny him the Holy Communion. If they report otherwise, or make no report within three months from their appointment, the repulsion shall continue in force.

If this judicatory for the trial of a layman shall be equally divided concerning the guilt of the accused, or the propriety of restoring him to the Communion, they may elect as umpire any other disinterested male communicant in this diocese whether clerical or lay, and make their report within three months as aforesaid. And, at any time after conviction, if the judicatory do not define the term of the repulsion, the Bishop, [or his assistant Bishop,] or the minister of the parish, being a Presbyter, may restore the repelled person to the Holy Communion, according to the rubric.

SEC. 2. Communicants neglecting the Holy Communion or the public worship of the Church for the space of six months without a

reason satisfactory to their parochial minister, or leading inconsistent and immoral lives, may, after admonition, be suspended by the minister from the Communion; and if, within a reasonable time, there is no satisfactory proof given of reformation, their names shall be removed from the Parochial Register of Communicants; and they shall be considered as repelled, and notified thereof. Notice is, in all such cases, to be given to the Bishop according to the provision of the rubric concerning repulsion, and the same proceedings may be had as provided in Sec. 1.

SEC. 3. A layman under repulsion from the Holy Communion, if visited with extreme or mortal sickness, may be re-admitted to that ordinance without trial, or, after conviction, if the Presbyter attending him deem him truly penitent and in charity with all men.

CANON VIII.

Of Trials and Penalties.

SEC. 1. All trials, whether of clergymen or laymen, shall be in public if the party accused so require, unless the judicatory are of opinion that such publicity will occasion unholy scoffing, and be contrary to edification. When a public trial is refused, the accused may have present any six male communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and the party presenting or prosecuting may have present the same number of other such communicants.

SEC. 2. Witnesses at any trial may, if demanded by either party, be put on oath. Written evidence may be admitted on either side, the other party having had sufficient notice of the time and place of taking the same, and being allowed to attend when it is taken; and the persons examined for the written evidence may also be put on oath.

SEC. 3. Counsel shall be allowed the accused, if he require it, in which case, the party presenting or prosecuting shall be allowed the same privilege. And every judicatory may have counsel as they shall desire.

CANON IX.

Of the Missionary and Education Committee.

SEC. 1. At each Annual Convention there shall be appointed a committee, consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, *ex-officio*, and two clergymen and two laymen elected by ballot, to be called the Missionary and Education Committee, to which shall be entrusted the charge of conducting the operations of the Church in behalf of Missions, Education, and benevolent objects connected therewith. This committee shall elect a Secretary and Treasurer, and report their doings to the next stated Convention, and their appointment shall continue until the next Annual Convention, or until others are chosen in their places.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of every Parish to raise contributions for the purpose designated in the following section, by collection, or otherwise, twice in each year, or oftener, which shall be remitted to the Treasurer.

SEC. 3. The committee shall employ the funds so transmitted to them, in support of Missionaries laboring within this diocese, [such Missionaries being always nominated by the Bishop,] or transmit the same, or a portion thereof, to the Domestic or the Foreign Committee

of the General Board of Missions; or employ a portion thereof in assisting deserving and indigent candidates for the sacred ministry in their necessary preparation for the same; or in the erection or repair of churches in feeble Parishes, at their discretion. But any Parish or donor may direct the application, wholly or in part, of their contributions, which directions shall be strictly observed.

CANON X.

Of Apportionments for Convention Expenses, and the support of the Episcopate.

At each Convention a Committee shall be appointed to consist of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Convention, and Treasurer of the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware, unless otherwise ordered, whose business it shall be to apportion among the Parishes, in the most equitable manner, the expenses and charges to which the Convention is liable. It shall be their further duty to assess the Parishes, for the support of the Episcopate in accordance with the apportionment and resolutions adopted at the Convention of 1882, and published in the Journal thereof, on pages sixteen to nineteen, inclusive, and to publish the above assessment in the Journal. The said Committees shall also be charged with the duty of promoting the increase of said Fund.

CANON XI.

Of the Vestry of a Church.

SEC. 1. In every church in this Diocese there shall be an annual election on Easter Monday, unless some other day be specified in the Charter or articles of incorporation of the Parish, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than five, nor more than nine members, which number, unless specified by articles of association or by charter, shall be designated before the election takes place, who shall continue in office until their successors are appointed; and they shall have power to fill all vacancies which may occur during the year, and be judges of their own election; and in such elections a plurality of votes shall decide the choice. Two of these Vestrymen shall be designated at the election to serve as Wardens, one of whom shall be designated as Senior Warden of the Parish—who, in the absence of the Rector, shall preside at the meetings of the Vestry. In the absence of both, the Junior Warden shall preside. The Vestry shall elect a Secretary, whose duty it shall be to take and record the minutes of their proceedings—attest the public acts of the Vestry—preserve all records and papers belonging to the Parish—perform such other duty as shall be legally assigned him, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and documents of the Parish that may be in his possession.

SEC. 2. No person shall be entitled to vote at such election who is not a pew or seat holder or renter, or annual subscriber to the support of the minister of the church, or a male communicant of the same.

SEC. 3. No person shall be eligible as a Vestryman who is not a qualified voter in the Parish, according to the provisions of Sec. 2, and an habitual attendant upon the services of the church for which he is elected.

SEC. 4. If any Vestryman shall be guilty of scandalous or immoral conduct, or shall be notoriously immoral in his general character, or entirely neglect attendance upon public worship, it shall be the duty of the minister, or in case there shall be no minister, of the Senior Warden, to present him to the Vestry, who shall have power, on being satisfied of his guilt, to expel him, provided always, that at least a majority of the whole number concur in such expulsion, and that the person expelled shall have a right to appeal to the Bishop.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the church, to regulate all its temporal concerns, to elect and call a minister, to provide for his maintenance, to keep order in the church during the celebration of divine worship, and, in general, to act as helpers to the minister in whatever is appropriate to laymen for the furtherance of the Gospel; it being understood always that the spiritual concerns of the church are under the exclusive direction of the minister, in subordination to the ecclesiastical authority and laws of the Diocese.

It shall be the duiy of the Wardens, especially, to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper, to collect the alms and offerings at the administration of the same, to keep and disburse such alms in case the church is destitute of a minister, and while the church is destitute of a minister, to provide for the celebration of public worship by occasional clerical services, or by lay-reading, under the advice of the Bishop.

Meetings of the Vestry shall be called by the Rector, or, in his absence, by the Senior Warden, and meetings shall be called at the request of two Vestrymen. The Vestry may adjourn, from time to time, at their pleasure.

(Parishes now in union with the Convention are exempted from any parts of this Canon interfering with their charters, articles of association, or by-laws.)

CANON XII.

Of Lay-Readers.

No one shall be considered as authorized to officiate as a Lay-Reader in this Diocese, except in cases of particular emergency, without a written license from the Bishop; and, lay-readers shall, in all cases, conform to the provisions of Canon IX, of Title I, of the General Convention.

CANON XIII.

Of Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

At each annual Convention, one Trustee of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware shall be elected by concurrent ballot of both orders, to continue in office for the term of six years, or until his successor shall be duly elected. In case of a vacancy, by death or otherwise, (if the Convention be not in session,) it shall be the duty of the Board of Trustees, to notify the Standing Committee of the

Diocese thereof, and it shall be the duty of the said Committee to supply such vacancy, as soon as it shall have knowledge of the same, by such notice or otherwise.

CANON XIV.

Of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons.

SEC. I. There shall be chosen by ballot a committee of five persons, two clergymen and three laymen of this diocese, members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, who shall constitute a permanent committee, to whom shall be referred for consideration and report thereon all matters having relation to the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese.

SEC. II. The members of this committee shall be elected on the nomination of the Bishop, and in his absence, of the President of the Diocesan Convention.

SEC. III. At the first election for the members of this committee they shall be designated and chosen to serve for one, two, three, four and five years respectively; and at each annual convention thereafter one member shall be chosen to serve for the full term of five years.

SEC. IV. This committee shall have power to fill any vacancies occuring in its Body between the meetings of Convention.

CANON XV.

Of Elections.

In all elections not otherwise provided for and regulated by the constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this State, the votes of a majority of all the members, or, if voting by Orders, of a majority of all present of the respective Orders, shall be necessary to a choice.

CANON XVI.

Of the Registrar of the Convention.

A Registrar shall be chosen annually by the Convention, whose duty it shall be to preserve copies of its Journals, and all other publications and documents relating to the history of this Diocese.

He shall also keep a record of historical donations, when and by whom presented, and within one month after the expiration of his term of office, shall faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor, all books, papers and documents, which shall have been intrusted to him, and shall hold his office until his successor be appointed.

CANON XVII.

Of Alterations and Additions to the Canons.

No proposition to alter or add to the Canons of the Diocese shall be considered by the Convention except at a stated meeting, nor (unless by unanimous consent,) until it shall have been reported on by a committee. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during

the same Convention, if two-thirds of the members present shall not concur therein; but in such case, the same, (unless negatived by a majority of the votes,) shall lie over for consideration till the next annual meeting of the Convention.

CANON XVIII.

Repealing former Canons.

All former Canons of this Diocese, not included in these Canons, are hereby repealed.

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LIST

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Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church,

Canonically resident in the Diocese of Delaware.

JUNE 4, 1884.

*Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

Rev. Angelo A. Benton, Professor in Delaware College. P. O., Newark.

Rev. John Baker Clemson, D. D., Rector Emeritus of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont, residing at West Chester, Pa.

*Rev. George W. DuBois, D. D., Rector of Calvary Church, Wilmington.

*Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Georgetown.

*Rev. William R. Ellis, Rector of St. John's Church, Greenville, St. Mark's, Millsboro, and Grace Church, Baltimore Mills. P. O. Millsboro.

*Rev. George S. Fitzhugh, Rector of Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Luke's Church, Seaford. P. O. Seaford.

Rev. William J. Frost, D. D., residing in Philadelphia.

Rev. S. H. S. Gallaudet, Rector of St. Anne's Church, Middletown.

*Rev. Lewis W. Gibson, Rector of Christ Church, Dover.

Rev. Thomas H. Gordon, Principal of St. John's School, Faulkland.

*Rev. William B. Gordon, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.

*Rev. H. Allen Griffith, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Newark.

*Rev. William D. Hanson, Rector of St James' Church, Stanton, and St. James', Newport. P. O., Faulkland.

*Rev. Jesse Higgins, Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, Wilmington.

*Rev. David Howard, Rector of Christ Church, Delaware City.

*Rev. Lewis H. Jackson, Rector of Christ Church, Milford, and Missionary at Harrington.

*Rev. George W. Johnson, Rector of St. George's Church, Indian River, St. Mark's, Little Creek, and Missionary. P. O., Georgetown.

*Rev. P. B. Lightner, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont, and Missionary at Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred.

*Rev. T. Gardiner Littell, Rector of St. John's Church, Wilmington.

*Rev. Henry B. Martin, M. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington.

*Rev. John Linn McKim, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Lewes.

*Rev. Chas. E. Murray, Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

Rev. William A. Newbold, Secretary of the American Church Missionary Society. P. O., New York.

Rev. Henry S. Phillips.

Rev. H. Greenfield Schorr, Rector of Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred.

*Rev. Dudley D. Smith, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred. P. O., Wilmington.

*Rev. Charles S. Spencer, D. D., Rector of Immanuel Church, New Castle.

Rev. Kensey Johns Stewart, D. D., residing at Delaware City.

Rev. Joseph A. Stone, Residing at West Chester, Pa.

Rev. Henry Tullidge, D. D., residing at Smyrna.

Rev. Elias Weil, residing at Germantown, Philadelphia.

Rev. Robert H. Wright, Jr., Deacon.

ALFRED LEE,

Bishop of the Diocese of Delaware.

* Designates those entitled to seats in this Convention.

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES,

Certificates of whose election by their respective Churches were presented and approved.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY.

ASCENSION, *Claymont.*—Wm. Cloud, Wm. C. Lodge.
GRACE, *Brandywine Hd.*—Wm. P. Cresson, Louis Smith.
CALVARY, *Brandywine Hd.*—David Shaw, Pascall Dickson.
ST. ANDREWS, *Wilmington.*—George H. Bates, Gregg Chandler.
TRINITY, *Wilmington.*—Dr. Horace Burr, Walter Cummins.
CALVARY, *Wilmington.*—Joseph Jacquette, Charles Jones.
ST. JOHN'S, *Wilmington.*—Isaac S. Elliott, George A Elliott.
CHRIST, *Christiana Hd.*—John Conly, Wm. Wood.
IMMANUEL, *New Castle.*—John M. Farlin, Thomas Holcomb.
ST. JAMES', *Stanton.*—W. H. Churchman, Alonzo Newlin.
ST. JAMES', *Newport.*—R. L Armstrong, Thomas Bracken.
ST. THOMAS', *Newark.*—S. M. Curtis, Wm. Cooch.
CHRIST, *Delaware City.*—Joseph S. Dunlap, Peter Kline.
ST. ANNE'S, *Middletown.*—H. N. Willits, Henry A. Nowland.

KENT COUNTY.

ST. PETER'S, *Smyrna.*—W. T. Cavender, E. A. Evans.
CHRIST, *Dover.*—Dr. Henry Ridgley, Thos. O. Culbreth.
CHRIST, *Milford.*—S. M. Simpler, Henry W. Rolle.

SUSSEX COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S, *Georgetown.*—Gov. C. C. Stockley, Edwin R. Paynter.
ST. PETER'S, *Lewes.*—Wm. P. Orr, Charles W. Whiley, Jr.
ST. LUKE'S, *Seaford.*—Ed. L. Martin, Edgar C. Ross.
ST. MARK'S, *Millsboro.*—Henry C. Frame, Joseph C. Ellis.
CHRIST, *Broad Creek* and ST PHILIP'S, *Laurel.*— } Dr. Ed. Fowler, Meril H. Tilghman.
ST. JOHN Baptist, *Milton.*—Gov. James Ponder.
ST. MARK'S, *Little Creek.*—Benj. B. Freeny, L. W. Ellis.
ST. JOHN'S, *Greenville.*—Clement C. Hearn, Cyrus Ward.
ST. GEORGE'S, *Indian River.*—Wm. C. Burton, Erasmus M. Lingo.
GRACE, *Baltimore Mills.*—

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

CHRIST CHURCH, DELAWARE CITY, June 4, 1884.

This being the day appointed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Delaware, for the meeting of the Annual Convention, a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled at nine o'clock in the morning, in Christ Church, Delaware City.

In the absence of the Bishop, the Convention was called to order by the Rev. Dr. Spencer, President of the Standing Committee. The Secretary of the last Convention, by direction of the chair, proceeded to call the names of the Clergy of the Diocese, entitled to seats, when the following answered to their names and took their seats, viz:

Rev. Wm. R. Ellis,
" Geo. S. Fitzhugh,
" Lewis W. Gibson,
" Wm. B. Gordon,
" David Howard,
" Geo. W. Johnson,
Rev. P. B. Lightner,
" T. Gardiner Littell,
" Henry B. Martin,
" Chas. E. Murray,
" D. D. Smith,
" Chas. S. Spencer, D. D.

The chair appointed the Rev. Mr. Ellis, Mr. S. M. Curtis and Dr. Fowler, a committee to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates.

Mr. Curtis, on behalf of the Committee, reported the names of the Lay Delegates duly elected, and, upon the roll being called by the Secretary, the following answered to their names, and took their seats, viz:

William P. Cresson,	Peter Kline,
Gregg Chandler,	H N. Willitts,
Dr. Horace Burr,	Henry A. Nowland,
Isaac S. Elliott,	Thomas O. Culbreth,
George A. Elliott,	Henry C. Frame,
William H. Churchman,	Dr. Edward Fowler,
Alonzo Newlin,	Meril H. Tilghman,
R. Lewis Armstrong,	Benj. B. Freeney,
S. M. Curtis,	Cyrus Ward,
Joseph S. Dunlap,	William C. Burton.

The Chair announced that the next business in order was the election of a Secretary, and appointed Rev. Mr. Littell and Mr. Culbreth, tellers, to conduct the election.

The Rev. Mr. Gibson nominated Mr. S. M. Curtis, and there being no other nomination, by unanimous consent a ballot was cast by the chair for Mr. Curtis; and no other votes having been cast, the chair announced as the result of the ballot, that Mr. Curtis had been duly elected, and the Convention was organized for business.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Smith, the Secretary was authorized to appoint an assistant.

Mr. Chandler moved that the rules of order of the last Convention be adopted as the rules of order of the present session, which motion prevailed, and the rules of order were read, as follows, viz:

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, nor shall afterward stand, unless to address the chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

6. If a question in debate contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

7. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across, the house, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered as before the House unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing, when required.

10. When any question is before the House, it shall be determined on before anything new is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the Chair.

13. The Journals of the Convention shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and a copy sent to each member of the Convention.

14. The charge or Sermon, when delivered by the Bishop before the Convention, shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and one copy sent to each Clergyman, and ten copies to each Vestry in the diocese.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Martin, it was

Resolved, That clergymen of this Diocese not entitled to seats, clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and candidates for Holy Orders, who may be present, be invited to attend the sittings of the Convention.

Under this resolution were present the Rev. Thomas H. Gordon, the Rev. Henry Tullidge D. D., and the Rev. H. Greenfield Schorr, of the Diocese of Delaware, the Rev. V. H. Berghaus of the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania, and Mr. Martin B. Dunlap, Candidate for Holy Orders, in the Diocese of Delaware.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Littell, it was

Resolved, That this Convention will meet daily at 9 o'clock A. M., to transact business, and take a recess from 1 to 3 o'clock, and from 6 to 8 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Chandler presented his account as Treasurer of the convention, and his account as Treasurer of the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware. and also the account of Mr. George D. Armstrong, the former treasurer of the same corporation, and moved that the same be referred to a special committee for audit, which motion prevailed, and the chair appointed Dr. Burr and Mr. Cresson a committee to audit the said accounts.

Mr. Chandler presented the account of the Secretary, for his official expenses during the past year, and, on his motion, the Treasurer was authorized to pay the same.

The Rev. Mr. Smith presented the report of the Standing Committee which was read, as follows, viz :—

The Standing Committee beg leave to present the following brief abstract of their proceedings. During the past year they have held seven meetings, viz :

The first meeting was held at Lewes, June 6th, 1883, at which time the committee was duly organized, and the Rev. C. S. Spencer, D. D., elected President, and the Rev. D. D. Smith, Secretary.

The second meeting was held in Wilmington, Sept. 10th, 1883, to assist the Bishop in making up the triennial report of the Diocese, to be presented to the General Convention.

The third meeting was held in New Castle, January 21st, 1884, at which the Committee signed the proper testimonials giving their consent to the consecration of Rev. Alfred Augustin Watson, D. D., as Bishop of East Carolina.

The fourth meeting was held in Wilmington, February 25th, 1884, at which were presented testimonials of Rev. Frederick Thompson, preliminary to being ordained Presbyter. No action was taken.

The fifth meeting was held in Wilmington, March 10th, 1884, when testimonials of Rev. Frederick Thompson were considered and signed, recommending him for ordination to the Priesthood.

At this meeting the Committee advised the Bishop to grant permission to the Parish at Laurel to sell their old church building.

The sixth meeting was held in Wilmington, April 16th, 1884, at which were presented testimonials recommending Rev. H. Greenfield Schorr for ordination to the holy order of Priests. The Committee considered and signed said testimonials.

At this meeting also was presented a memorial from St. Mark's Church, Wilmington, asking leave to dissolve said Parish, and return funds collected to the original contributors. Upon motion, it was resolved that the Bishop be advised, in accordance with said petition, to declare the Parish dissolved, and advise the return of subscriptions to the donors; and after all indebtedness of the Parish has been paid, whatever balance of funds be remaining, the same to be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware, to be held by him, subject to the disposal of the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Diocese.

The seventh meeting was held in Wilmington, May 19th, 1884, at which the committee signed the proper testimonials, giving consent to the consecration of Rev. Samuel D. Ferguson, as Bishop of Cape Palmas, Africa, and parts adjacent, and of Rev. Wm. Jones Boone as Bishop of Shanghai, China.

Testimonials were presented, recommending Mr. Robert H. Wright, and Mr. Martin D. Dunlap as proper persons to be ordained Deacons. The Committee duly considered and signed canonical testimonials, recommending the aforesaid gentlemen to the Bishop for ordination.

Attest, DUDLEY D. SMITH, *Secretary.*

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Martin, the election of the Standing Committee was made the special order, immediately after the reading of the Bishop's Annual address.

The Rev. Mr. Littell presented the report of the Registrar, which was read as follows:—

The Registrar reports that, during the past year, he has received twenty-four publications from Bishop Lee, and several Registrars.

T. G. LITTELL,
Reg.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Murray, the Treasurer was authorized to appoint an assistant.

The Secretary presented a communication from the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention which was read, as follows:

To the Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of Delaware.

SIR:—In compliance with the requirements of Article 9 of the Constitution, I would hereby officially make known, through you, to the Convention of the Diocese of Delaware, that the following alterations of the Constitution of the Church are proposed, to wit: those comprised in the two resolutions subjoined, said resolutions having been constitutionally adopted by a General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, held in the city of Philadelphia, Pa., in October, A. D. 1883, to wit:

I. It was, by concurrent action of the two Houses of the Convention (*vide* Journal of Convention, pp. 240, 263, 279, 280),

Resolved, That Articles 2 and 3 of the Constitution be amended by substituting the words "House of Deputies" for the word "Convention" in the fourteenth line of Article 2 of the Constitution as printed in the Digest of 1880, and that the words "House of Deputies" be, in like manner, substituted for the word "Convention" in the twelfth line of Article 3, as printed above:

So that the Articles shall read as follows:—

ARTICLE 2.

The Church in each Diocese shall be entitled to a representation of both the Clergy and the Laity. Such representation shall consist of not more than four Clergymen and four Laymen, communicants in this Church, residents in the Diocese, and chosen in the manner prescribed by the Convention thereof; and in all questions when required by the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese, each Order shall have one vote; and the majority of suffrages by Dioceses shall be conclusive in each Order, provided such majority comprehend a majority of the Dioceses represented in that Order. The concurrence

of both Orders shallbe necessary to constitute a vote of the House of Deputies. If the Convention of any Diocese should neglect or decline to appoint Clerical Deputies, or if they should neglect or decline to appoint Lay Deputies, or if any of those of either Order appointed should neglect to attend, or be prevented by sickness or any other accident, such Diocese shall nevertheless be considered as duly represented by such Deputy or Deputies as may attend, whether Lay or Clerical. And if, through the neglect of the Convention of any of the Churches which shall have adopted or may hereafter adopt this Constitution, no Deputies, either Lay or Clerical, should attend at any General Convention, the Church in such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of such Convention.

ARTICLE 3.

The Bishops of this Church, when there shall be three or more, shall, whenever General Conventions are held, form a separate House, with a right to originate and propose acts for the concurrence of the House of Deputies composed of Clergy and Laity; and when any proposed act shall have passed the Honse of Deputies, the same shall be transmitted to the House of Bishops, who shall have a negative thereupon; and all acts of the Convention shall be authenticated by both Houses. And in all cases the House of Bishops shall signify to the House of Deputies their approbation or disapprobation, (the latter with their reasons in writing,) within three days after the proposed act shall have been reported to them for concurrence; and, in failure thereof, it shall have the operation of a law. But until there shall be three or more Bishops, as aforesaid, any Bishop attending a General Convention shall be a member *ex officio*, and shall vote with the Clerical Deputies of the Diocese to which he belongs; and a Bishop shall then preside.

II. It was by concurrent action of the two Houses of Convention (*vide* Journal of Convention, pp. 130, 273, 274, 300—303),—

Resolved, That Article 4 of the Constitution be amended by striking out the word "and" in the third line of said Article, and inserting in place thereof the words following:—

"*Provided*, That, when a Missionary Jurisdiction shall be organized as a Diocese, the Bishop of such Jurisdiction shall become the Bishop of the new Diocese; and

"*Provided*, further, That, when a part of a Missionary Jurisdiction shall be organized as a new Diocese, the Bishop of such Jurisdiction shall become the Bishop of the new Diocese, or, at his election, remain the Bishop of that part of such Jurisdiction not included in the new Diocese;" and leaving the residue of the said Article to stand as an independent paragraph;

So that the Article shall read as follows:—

ARTICLE 4.

The Bishop or Bishops in every Diocese shall be chosen agreeably o such rules, as shall be fixed by the Convention of that Diocese; *Provided*, That, when a Missionary Jurisdiction shall be organized as a Diocese, the Bishop of such Jurisdiction shall become the Bishop of the new Diocese; and *Provided*, further, That when a part of a Missionary Jurisdiction shall be organized as a new Diocese, the Bishop of such Jurisdiction shall become the Bishop of the new Diocese, or, at his election, remain the Bishop of that part of such Jurisdiction not included in the new Diocese.

Every Bishop of this Church shall confine the exercise of his Episcopal Office to his proper Diocese, unless requested to ordain, or confirm, or perform any other act of the Episcopal Office in another Diocese by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have this day hereunto affixed my name.

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS,

Secretary of the House of Deputies.

MEDFORD, MASS., April 14, 1884.

The Treasurer announced that under the authority conferred upon him by the convention he had appointed the Rev. Mr. Murray as his assistant.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Johnson the House then took a recess for Divine Service.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. H. B. Martin, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington, Rev. Geo. S. Fitzhugh, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Seaford, Rev. Dr. Tullidge, and the Litany by Rev. Charles E. Murray, assistant minister of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington. The 191st Hymn was sung. The ante-communion service was read by the Rev. Dr. Clemson, who also read the Epistle. The Bishop read the Gospel. After the singing of the 211th Hymn, the Convention sermon was preached by the Rev. L. W. Gibson, Rector of Christ Church Dover: 9th v. 2nd Ch. 1st Ep. of St. Peter. The Offertory was appropriated to the fund for the Relief of sick and disabled Clergy.

In the Communion Service and the distribution of the elements, the Bishop was assisted by the Rev. Dr. DuBois and Rev. Dr. Spencer. At the conclusion of the services the Convention resumed business, the Bishop being in the chair.

The Secretary announced that he had appointed Mr. Geo. H. Bates as his assistant.

The following members of the Convention not present at the opening of the session appeared and took their seats, viz :—

Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., Rev. George W. DuBois, D. D., Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass, Rev. H. Allen Griffith, Rev. Jesse Higgins, Messrs. William Cloud, William C. Lodge, Louis Smith, George H. Bates, Walter Cummins, William Wood, Thomas Holcomb, William Cooch, and Dr. H. Ridgely.

The Convention then took a recess, until 3 o'clock P. M.

CHRIST CHURCH, 3 o'clock P. M.

The Convention re-assembled.

The following delegates who were not present at the morning session appeared and took their seats in the Convention, viz :

Rev. Lewis H. Jackson.

Messrs. Wilson T. Cavender, Edward A. Evans, Henry Rolle, Charles C. Stockley, Edw. L. Martin, Lewis W. Ellis, William P. Orr, Chas. W. Whiley, Jr.

The Secretary read the minutes of the morning session and they were approved.

The Bishop then read his annual address, as follows :—

ADDRESS.

TO THE CLERICAL AND LAY MEMBERS OF THE NINETY-FOURTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

Beloved Brethren :

In presenting to you my 43rd annual address, I feel that I am setting up another memorial stone, bearing the inscription, "EBEN-EZER." While, through the unseen hand sustaining and strengthening, I have been enabled to perform the accustomed amount of Diocesan duties, engagements outside of the Diocese have occupied

more than the usual share of time and attention. Prominent among these, was attendance in the House of Bishops and at the Board of Missions, at the recent General Convention, which continued in session during nearly the whole of the month of October.

The General Convention of 1883 yields in interest and importance to no previous assemblage of that body, since that by which the Prayer Book was adopted in 1789. Chief among the subjects of consideration was a series of proposed emendations and additions to this volume, reported and recommended by the joint committee appointed in 1880, upon Liturgical Enrichment. The report of this Committee was awaited with no small degree of eagerness, not to say, of anxiety. So strongly established in the affections and reverence of our Church was this venerable formulary that many could scarce tolerate the suggestion of any changes whatever, while many more were full of apprehension as to the kind of changes that might be proposed. Few indeed anticipated, as the result, a work that should meet with almost universal approval. The difficult and delicate task entrusted to the Committee was performed with admirable wisdom, discretion and good taste.

While, of course, it was to be expected that individuals, to whom the matter was submitted, would differ in some points from the report, the work as a whole met with a most cordial reception, and private wishes and preferences were yielded in order to procure harmonious action of the whole body. The recommendations were substantially adopted, and with remarkable unanimity, indicating both satisfaction with the suggestions of the Committee, and a strong wish for some improvement, enlargement and flexibility in our public devotional services. The Report has been communicated to the Church at large, although no formal Diocesan action is required, and the question of final adoption will come before the General Convention of 1886.

The Convention was also memorable as being almost centennial, and appropriately assembled in the ancient historic edifice of Christ Church, Philadelphia. The character of its members, the Christian courtesy of its discussions, and the large share of attention given to the Missionary operations of the Church, are cause for congratulation and thankfulness. The addresses of our Missionary Bishops in particular gave encouraging evidence of the extension of the Church in new fields, and greatly strengthened confidence in the character and competency of the men entrusted with pioneer work. To this noble band another was added in the election of the Rev. Robert J. Walker, D. D, as Missionary Bishop of Northern Dakota.

Not very long after the adjournment of the Convention an unlooked for loss was sustained by the removal from the scene of his earthly labors of the Rt. Rev. R. G. Clarkson, D. D., Bishop of Nebraska.

The senior by consecration among our Missionary Bishops, he stood forth eminent also in practical wisdom, energy and efficiency. Under his faithful superintendence the Missionary district of Nebraska became a self-sustaining and flourishing Diocese. In the fullness of his intellectual and physical vigor, his wishes for the growth and prosperity of the church under his oversight crowned with desired success, with apparently many years of useful ministration still before him, he was suddenly arrested by the Master's call, "Come up higher," and amid the lamentations of the whole community in which he resided, as well as of his brethren in the faith, his remains were consigned to their resting place.

Another of our most exemplary and beloved Bishops has also been taken away, the Rt. Rev. William Pinkney. When about a year since I was present, upon his invitation, at the Centennial celebration of the Diocese of Maryland., it was little thought by the large assemblage then gathered, that the Bishop, then to all appearance so well and strong, was presiding for the last time in his Convention, and was just at the close of an honored Episcopate. On the 6th day of July, 1883, I took part in the mournful services at his funeral in the city of Washington.

On the 21st of October, at Immanuel Church, in the city of Baltimore, I acted as consecrator of the Rev. Alfred Magill Randolph, D. D., assistant Bishop elect of the Diocese of Virginia.

From 22nd to the 24th of April, I attended a special meeting of the House of Bishops in the city of New York, convened for the purpose of filling the vacant Foreign Missionary Episcopates of Cape Palmas and Shanghai, when the Rev. Samuel D. Ferguson, of the African Mission, was elected for the first, and the Rev. William J. Boone, of the Chinese Mission, for the second.

The decease of the Rt. Rev. B. B. Smith, D. D., Bishop of Kentucky, was an event for which his years and infirmities had for some time given premonition. Indeed the continuance of his life, frail as he always appeared, for so long a period, was a marvel to his friends. Born June 13, 1794, in two weeks more he would have completed his ninetieth year. His Episcopate is the longest on the records of our church. Consecrated by Bishop White on the 31st October, 1832, together with Bishops Hopkins, McIlvaine and Doane, and departing on the 31st day of May 1884, he held this office for 51 years and 7 months. Bishop White was consecrated Feb. 4, 1787, and died July 17, 1836, lacking about 9 months of a half century of official duty. The two Episcopates all but fill up the first century of our existence as a national church. For the last sixteen years Bishop Smith had been Presiding Bishop. He was favored to the last with the possession of his mental faculties, and while the outward man was decaying, the

inward man was renewed day by day. His last appearance in the House of Bishops was on the 24th April last, when, in order to secure a quorum for organization, a meeting was held at the house of Bishop Potter, Senior, of New York, himself an invalid and unable to leave his room. It was an affecting scene when the Bishops exchanged farewells with two of their venerated brethren, no longer to be their associates upon earth in work and counsel.

Bishop Smith's character was marked with simplicity and godly sincerity, by the depth and purity of his religious feelings, the meekness and gentleness of his spirit, and striking amiability and kindliness, and to his brethren in the Episcopate he was greatly endeared. While bearing with much patience his bodily pains and weakness, his desire was earnest and oft expressed to depart and to be with Christ. Yesterday, June 3, a funeral service of much solemnity was held at the church of the Heavenly Rest, in the city of New York, in which I assisted.

At the request of the Bishop of Albany I confirmed four persons in St. Luke's church, Saranac village, of which the Rev. D. M. Bates, formerly of Delaware, is Rector, and at the request of the Rev. Dr. Lewin, President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Maryland, I confirmed twenty-two persons at St. Peter's church, Baltimore.

On the 24th of May I was present at the Centenary of the Diocese of Pennsylvania in Christ Church, Philadelphia, when an interesting historical discourse was delivered by the Bishop of the Diocese.

In our own Diocese there have been the following Clerical changes.

The Rev. H. Allen Griffith of Pennsylvania accepted a call to the rectorship of St. Thomas' Church, Newark, and entered upon his duties in November, 1883.

The Rev. Jesse Higgins, of the Diocese of Springfield, became assistant minister of Trinity Parish, Wilmington, in November last, and has been since officiating regularly in the old Swedes' Church.

The Rev. Henry Greenfield Schorr, called to the charge of Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred, was received into the Diocese, April 7th, 1884, and ordained to the Priesthood on the 30th of the same month. The Church, which had suffered from the absence of a resident Pastor since the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Jefferis, is now apparently reviving, and a comfortable Rectory has been recently completed.

The Rev. Frederick Thompson was ordained Priest on the 17th of March, 1884, and was transferred to the Diocese of Pittsburg, April

3rd, following. He has been succeeded as Principal of St. John's School, Faulkland, by the Rev. Thomas H. Gordon, from the Diocese of Springfield.

St. Anne's Church, Middletown, after being vacant for more than a year, is now supplied by the Rev. S. H. S. Gallaudet, who accepted a call to the Rectorship and entered upon his duties on the 1st Sunday in May. On the last Sunday of the same month I confirmed a class of nine persons, and was gratified to find a neat and convenient Rectory just completed. The same desirable addition has been also made to St. Peters' Parish, Smyrna.

The Rev. George Hall has been transferred to the Diocese of Central Pennyslvania.

The Rev. John Linn McKim accepted a call to the Rectorship of St. Peters' Church, Lewes, and entered upon his duties in January last.

CLERGYMEN ADDED DURING THE YEAR.

The Rev. H. Allen Griffith, from Pennyslvania, October 7th, 1883.
" " Jesse Higgins, from Springfield, November 12th, 1883.
" " Henry Greenfield Schorr, from Pennyslvania, April 7th, 1884.
" " S. H. S. Gallaudet, from New Jersey, May 2nd, 1884.
" " Thomas H. Gordon, from Springfield, May 19th, 1884.

DISMISSED.

The Rev. Frederick Thompson, to Pittsburg, April 3rd, 1884.
" " George Hall, to Central Pennsylvania, May 29th, 1884.

ORDAINED.

The Rev. Frederick Thompson to the Priesthood, March 17th, 1884, in Immanuel Church, New Castle.

The Rev. Henry Greenfield Schorr, to the same, April 30th, 1884, in St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

On Trinity Sunday, June 8th, after the adjournment of the Convention, I ordained to the Diaconate, Robert H. Wright, Jr.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred, - - -	10 Persons.
St. John's, Wilmington, - - - - -	8 "
St. Andrew's, Wilmington, - - - - -	24 "
Trinity, Wilmington, (Old Swedes 6, Chapel, 10) -	16 "
Calvary, " - - - - - - -	9 "

Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	3	Persons.
Immanuel, New Castle,	7	"
Christ Church, Delaware City,	1	"
St. Anne's Middletown,	9	"
Christ Church, Dover,	7	"
Christ Church, Milford,	5	"
St. John Baptist, Milton,	2	"
St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,	5	"
St. Luke's Church, Seaford,	4	"
St. Mark's Church, Millsboro,	1	"
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	3	"
St. Mark's, Little Creek,	2	"
St. Andrew's, Ellis Grove,	1	"
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Ascension Church, Claymont, Calvary, Brandywine Hundred, and St. Thomas, Newark, have not yet been visited.

On thr 20th March, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, I gave permission to the Vestry of Christ Church, Broad Creek, to dispose of the old church building in Laurel.

The Vestry, elected by the petitioners for the formation of a new Parish in the eastern part of the City of Wilmington, to be called St. Mark's Church, of which mention was made in my last annual address, represented to the Standing Committee and myself that, on account of the failure of the expectations leading to their petition, they were now desirous of the dissolution of said Parish. With the advice and consent of the Standing Committee on the 22nd of May, 1883, I declared the same to be dissolved.

The general condition of the Diocese I believe to be that of improvement, and steady, if not rapid growth. Four Parishes reported vacant at the last Convention, have been since supplied, and all our churches now enjoy regular ministrations.

The Rev. W. D. Hanson was confined for several months with a dangerous and painful illness, from which, in God's merciful Providence, he is, in a measure, recovered, although not yet able fully to resume his work. His churches have been kept open on the Lord's Day by the faithful services of Lay Readers.

Three new Rectories have been completed.

Seldom do we meet in Convention without being called to note the loss of one or more of our brethren in Christ. One of those who was present with us last year, Mr. Robert Sarde, a delegate from Christ

Church, Dover, departed this life a very short time after our adjournment.

St. George's Church, Indian River, has lost one of its most useful and esteemed members in the death of Mr. John Bagwell Burton, and St. John's, Greenville, has been called to mourn the removal of Capt. Wm. Cannon. Both of these brethren had often represented their respective churches in our Convention, and have left voids not easily filled.

The Hon. E. G. Bradford, Judge of the U. S. District Court, and George B. Rodney, Esq., of Immanuel Church, New Castle, have finished each a long and honored life. Both of these lamented gentlemen were members of the Board of Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware. The highest tributes of affection and respect were paid to their memories by the church to which they belonged, by the learned profession of which they were ornaments, and by the whole community in which they resided. Sterling principle, integrity and purity of life, challenge the confidence and admiration of all, and it is cause for special thankfulness when these qualities are found in unison with faith in the gospel of our Lord and Saviour, and a manly, consistent confession of his holy name. "We bless thy holy name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom."

ALFRED LEE.

The Bishop announced as the special order of the day, the election of the Standing Committee.

The Rev. Mr. Douglass nominated as the Standing Committee, Rev. Messrs. Spencer, Gibson, and Smith, and Messrs. S. M. Curtis and Dr. H. Burr.

The Bishop appointed as tellers to hold the election the Rev. Messrs. Douglass and Howard, and Mr. Cresson and Dr. Ridgely.

Pending the ballot, Dr. Burr, on behalf of the Committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention and of the Treasurers of the Trustees of the Diocese, reported that the committee had examined the same and found them correct.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Spencer, it was

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Sick and Disabled Clergy Fund of the Diocese be authorized by this Convention, to pay to the Rev. Joseph A. Stone, $150 out of the income of said Fund.

The Tellers reported the ballot, and the Bishop announced as the result, the unanimous election as Standing Committee of the following gentlemen, viz;

Rev. Messrs. Spencer, Gibson and Smith, and Mr. S. M. Curtis and Dr. Horace Burr.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Gordon it was

Resolved that a committee of three laymen be appointed to nominate proper persons to be voted for as Trustees of the Diocese.

The Bishop appointed, Messrs. Curtis, Churchman and Ponder as the Committee.

Rev. Mr. Littell presented the report of the Missionary and Education Committee, which was read. as follows:

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

From Churches.

Ascension, Claymont, (Sunday School $5 23,)	$25 22
Calvary, Brandywine Hundred,	1 95
Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred,	7 50
St. John's, Wilmington, (Sunday School $7 41,)	42 36
St. Andrew's,	209 83
Trinity,	25 00
Calvary,	5 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	158 50
Immanuel, New Castle,	82 11
St. James, Newport,	2 00
St. James, Stanton,	3 00
St. Thomas, Newark, (Individual subscriptions,)	
Christ Church, Delaware City,	19 40
St. Anne's, Middletown,	5 10
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	40 00
Christ Church, Dover,	50 07
Christ Church, Milford,	15 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown, (Sunday School $5 00)	20 00

St. George's, Indian River, $2 95 Chapel of Comforter, Long Neck $3 05,	6 00	
St. Peter's, Lewes,	6 19	
St. Luke's, Seaford,	10 00	
Christ Church, Broad Creek,	3 54	
St. Philips, Laurel,	3 52	
St. Mark's Little Creek,	26 00	
St. Andrew's Chapel, Ellis Grove,	8 00	
Gathering of Sunday Schools, Wilmington,	35 82	
		$811 11

Individual Subscriptions.

S. M. Curtis,	$50 00	
F. A. Curtis,	20 00	
Bishop Lee,	25 00	
Rev. B. J. Douglas,	20 00	
Mrs. B. J. Douglas,	5 00	
Gregg Chandler,	20 00	
Jos. C. Seeds,	12 00	
H. H. Johnson,	10 00	
Col. H. B. Judd,	5 00	
	$	167 10
June 6th, 1883, Collection at Convention,	16 63	
" " " Balance from last year,	95 69	
		$1,090 43

Appropriations

Rev. Geo. W. Johnson,	$500 00	
Rev. D. Howard,	150 00	
Rev. L. H. Jackson,	100 00	
Rev. Geo. S. Fitzhugh,	85 00	
Rev. P. B. Lightner,	62 50	
	$897 50	
Balance,		$192 93

Your Committee have been engaged, as in years past, in aiding some of our weaker Parishes to supply what was lacking, and in providing some compensation, however inadequate, for services willingly and faithfully rendered. The stations heretofore claiming our attention have been supplied with regular ministrations, and these services have met with encouraging attendance and evident appreciation. In addition to those named, as our agents, in the last Annual Report, the Rev. P. B. Lightner has been appointed missionary at Calvary church, Brandywine hundred, and the Rev. George S. Fitzhugh at old Christ Church, Broad Creek. The inclement weather and bad roads have

been adverse to the assemblage of congregations during the last winter and Spring, but very seldom have the missionaries failed to meet their appointments.

Desirous to awaken more decided and intelligent interest and to give information respecting our Diocesan field, the clerical members of the Committee visited and addressed a number of our congregations, with the hearty co-operation of their respective Pastors, and we have reason to believe with good results. Our appropriations have somewhat exceeded those of the previous year, and our income has been above the average standard. It requires no heavy tax, if equally distributed, to enable the Committee adequately to sustain the present work and to take advantage of fresh openings, if presented in God's Providence. From our limited area cannot be expected spirit-stirring appeals and thrilling narratives such as come from extensive fields and distant regions. But the call is a near and strong one. This is a work at our own door, intimately connected with the growth and prosperity of the church in our Diocese. Without detracting in the slightest degree from general operations, in which the whole church is zealously engaged, home evangelization has its peculiar and urgent claims. You, dear brethren, who have much, give plenteously, and ye that have little, do your diligence gladly to give of that little.

ALFRED LEE,
T. GARDINER LITTELL,
D. D. SMITH,
CHAS. GREEN,
H. H. JOHNSON.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, it was ordered that 600 copies of the Journal be printed, and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the bill for the same when certified by the Secretary to be correct.

The Bishop nominated as a member of the committee on constitution and canons:—Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass, for five years, to succeed himself.

A ballot was ordered upon the confirmation of the nomination, and Rev. Dr. DuBois, and Mr. Cavender were appointed tellers. The tellers reported the ballot, and the Bishop announced that the Rev. Mr. Douglass had been unanimously elected for four years.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Spencer, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be extended to the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of Christ Church, and to the citizens of Delaware City, for their kindness and hospitality, and that the usual compensation be paid to the sexton of this church.

Mr. Curtis, from and in behalf of the committee to nominate Trustees, reported the name of Mr. George D. Armstrong, to succeed himself, and Mr. Walter Cummins to succeed Hon. E. G. Bradford.

The Bishop appointed as tellers, Rev. Messrs. Smith and Gibson of the Clergy, and Messrs Orr and Ward of the laity.

The tellers reported the ballot, and the Bishop announced that Mr. George D. Armstrong had been unanimously elected to succeed himself, for the term of six years, and Mr. Walter Cummins also, unanimously, for the unexpired term of Hon. E. G. Bradford.

On motion of Mr. Cavender, it was

Resolved, That the next Convention be held in St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.

Rev. Mr. Ellis, from committee to investigate the condition of the property of Prince George's church, Dagsboro, reported progress and asked that the committee be continued :

On motion of Rev. Mr. Gordon the Committee was continued.

The Bishop having left the Convention, the Rev. Dr. Spencer took the chair.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Gordon, it was

Resolved, That the President appoint a committee of three to draft a suitable expression of the feelings awakened in the minds of the members of this Convention, by the fact that our Bishop has been spared to become the Presiding Bishop of the church.

The chair appointed Rev. Mr. Gordon, Gov. Stockley and Dr. Horace Burr as the committee called for by the resolution.

DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

THE RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, D. D., *Bishop, and President of the Convention.* Residence, Wilmington.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Charles S. Spencer, D. D., *President*, New Castle.
" D. D. Smith, *Secretary*, Wilmington.
" Lewis W. Gibson.
Mr. S. M. Curtis.
Dr. Horace Burr.

DEPUTIES TO GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass,
" Wm. B. Gordon,
" Geo. W. DuBois, D. D.,
" T. Gardiner Littell,
S. M. Curtis,
Geo. H. Bates.
Horace Burr, M. D.,
Henry Ridgely, M. D.

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

Rev. Charles S. Spencer, D. D., Rev. B. J. Douglass.

MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., *Chairman.*
" T. Gardiner Littell,
" D. D. Smith,
Mr. H. H. Johnson, *Treasurer*,
" Charles Green.

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

	Term expires.		Term expires.
Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass,	1889.	Rev. Lewis W. Gibson,	1885.
Horace Burr, M. D.,	1888.	Dr. Henry Ridgely,	1886.
Mr. George H. Bates,	1887.		

TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rev. T. Gardiner Littell,
" Charles S. Spencer, D. D.,
Rev. Lewis W. Gibson,
" Wm. B. Gordon.

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George H. Bates,	1886.	Thomas Holcomb,	1889.
Walter Cummins.	1885.	Wm. Jenks Fell,	1888.

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APPENDIX.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Church of the Ascension, Claymont.

REV. P. B. LIGHTNER, Rector.
REV. JOHN B. CLEMSON, D. D., Emeritus Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 2; Total		2
Communicants—Number last reported		52
" Since died		3
" Added		3
Present number		52
Marriages		1
Funerals		4
SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES.		
Teachers and officers		10
Scholars		63
CONTRIBUTIONS.		
Missions — Diocesan,	$ 26 23	
" Domestic, (including Indian and Colored Home Missions, $8.56, Ohio sufferers $10,	18 56	
" Foreign	8 51	
Total		$53 30
Diocesan Disabled Clergy Fund		5 00
Communion alms and Charitable aid		64 72
Societies—Education, Bible, Prayer book, &c., $13.04, Jewish Missions, $4 43		17 47
Diocesan charges		43 90
Endowment Fund of Missionary Episcopate		5 00
Parochial, Sunday School $73.87, Current Expenses $958.11		1031 98
Other purposes, Church repairs, $90.27, Rectory improvement $3,000		3090 27
Total		$4,311 64

The Parish during the year has also in other ways expressed its sympathy with the Church's general work, and to the following effect: 1 box of supplies to the "Sheltering Arms" of New York; 1 barrel hospital clothing for Bishop Tuttle; 1 barrel of clothing for the "Ohio Sufferers"; 8 barrels at Thanksgiving, of fruits, &c., distributed among the homes and hospitals of Philadelphia and Wilmington.

Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred.

REV. H. GREENFIELD SCHORR, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 5; Adult, 8; Total	13
Confirmed	10
Communicants, Number last reported	48
" Added	12
" Present number	60
Marriages	2
Funerals	5

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES.

Teachers	10
Scholars	120

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 7 50
" Domestic, (including Indian and Colored Home Missions)	33 50
Missions—Foreign	5 00
Total	$46 00
Diocesan Disabled Clergy Fund	7 50
Communion alms and Charitable aid	24 81
Diocesan charges	4 00
Episcopate	16 39
Parochial	965 00
Other purposes	3678 75
Total	$4742 45

The Rector takes pleasure in recording the gift of the handsome Rectory by a lady friend of the Parish. Many improvements have been made, a beautiful marble vault has been added to the cemetery, a barn and stable has been built for the Rector, the Rectory has been neatly furnished, a new organ has been purchased for the church, and many other necessary improvements have been made. The Rector is glad to report that in every way the Parish is progressing, laying a sure foundation for good results in the near future. The congregation

is nobly uniting with the Rector in every new work, and whatever has been begun is successfully working. The Young Men's Club and Reading Room, the Parish paper, the Ladies' Aid Society, the Missionary Band, the Young People's Social Union are all Parish agencies in successful operation. The great liberality of Mr. Wm. P. Cresson, the self-sacrificing work of Mr. Lewis Smith, and the unanimity with which the vestry have aided in every work, have resulted in making the whole Parish full of zeal and energy.

Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred.

REV. P. B. LIGHTNER, Rector.

Communicants		22
Sunday School and Bible Class		30
OFFERINGS.		
Diocesan Missions	$ 1 95	
Foreign "	1 63	
		$ 3 58
Communion Alms	7 24	
Diocesan Disabled Clergy	1 77	
Diocesan charges	6 58	
Church Improvement Fund	1 80	
Current Expenses	96 77	
		$ 114 16
Total		$117 74

The offerings upon Thanksgiving Day of fruits &c, had been invited in behalf of a neighboring charity, and were choice and bountiful. But as the congregation would listen to no disposal of them other than for the Rector himself, this individnal in yielding, could not but enjoy with a keener relish a remembrance in many ways grateful to a Pastor's spirit.

St. John's Church, Wilmington.

REV. T. GARDINER LITTELL, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 59: Adult, 4; Total,	43
Confirmed, (2 elsewhere)	10
Communicants—Number last reported,	156
" Died,	1
" Lost by removal,	9
" Gained by removal,	12
" Added,	8
" Present number,	166
Marriages,	3
Burials,	10

Sunday Schools,	3
Bible Classes,	2
Teachers,	25
Scholars,	280
Public Services—On Sundays, 131; other days, 140; total,	271

Children Catechised every Sunday.

OFFERINGS.

For Missions—Diocesan (Sunday School, 7.41)	$42 36
" Domestic (S. S. 14.44)	97 38
" Hospital, Omaha,	10 00
" Dr. Porter's School, Charleston,	65 76
Colored People, (S. S. 5.22)	26 91
" Boxes of goods for Missionaries, value	200 00
" Mission to the Jews,	9 25
" Foreign (S. S. 11.21)	35 39
Fund for Disabled Clergymen (S. S. 8.17)	51 60
Alms,	65 28
Theological Student	6 00
Diocesan Charges,	10 00
Apportionment for the Episcopate,	80 44
Endowment of the Episcopate,	25 00
Sunday Schools,	86 73
Rectory Fund,	117 90
Improvements,	958 61
Current Expenses,	2 559 23
Total,	$4.447 84

St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

RT. REV. ALFRED LEE, D. D., Rector.

REV. CHARLES E. MURRAY, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—Infant, 16; Adult, 2; Total	18
Confirmed	24
Communicants—Removed	14
" Died	6
" Withdrawn	2
" Added	26
Present number	271
Marriages	4
Funerals	18

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Teachers	30
Scholars, (actual attendance.)	216

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Missions—Diocese of Delaware			$ 74 01	
" Washington Territory, Bishop J. A. Paddock			59 00	
" Africa, Orphan Asylum			50 00	
" Mexico, Scholarship	$ 40 00			
" " By Mexican Band	80 00		120 00	
" Yet unapplied			66 10	
" Other purposes			30 00	
Total from Sunday Schools				$399 11

CHURCH OFFERINGS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Missions—Diocese of Delaware	$256 83			
" Sewing Society for Delaware	143 11		399 94	
" Domestic, Bishop J. A. Paddock	$165 00			
" " Bishop Vail	31 00			
" " Bishop Jaggar, sufferers by flood	185 19			
" American Church Missionary Society	51 25		432 44	
" Foreign—Japan, $50 00; Mexico	30 00		80 00	
" Jewish Mission			47 10	
				$959 48
Total for Missions				$1,358 59
Charitable—Communion alms and other aid			$223 35	
" Clergy Relief, General Board			66 50	
" The same, Special			125 00	$414 85
Societies—State Bible		25 00		
" Evangelical Education		82 00		
" Evangelical Knowledge		31 25		138 25
Parochial—For Sunday School				36 72
Diocesan Charges—Episcopate			129 51	
" " Convention			30 00	159 51
Total (current expenses not included)				$2,107 92

The past year has been fruitful of blessings, but like former years it has left voids in home-circles and in Church Communion. Among the losses experienced is that of the Hon. E. G. Bradford, lamented by the public as an upright Judge and a highly esteemed citizen, and sincerely mourned by those who knew him well and were best acquainted with the many excellencies of his manly, genuine christian character.

Trinity Church, Wilmington.

REV. HENRY B. MARTIN, M. D., Rector.

REV. JESSE HIGGINS, ASSISTANT MINISTER.

Baptisms—Infant, 39, Adult, 2. Total,	41
Confirmed,—	16
Communicants—Number last reported,	236
Removed, 8. Died, 9. Added 90.	
Present number,	309
Marriages,	4
Funerals,	32
Sunday School Teachers—Old Church,	19
" Scholars, "	150
" Teachers—Chapel,	18
" Scholars,	130
Total Teachers,	37
" Scholars,	280
Public Services,	388
Sermons,	191
Lectures and addresses,	115
Holy Communions,	81

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions,	$ 25 00
Domestic,	57 25
Charitable,	140 20
Interest on Episcopal Fund,	124 25
Diocesan charges,	25 00
Parochial, about,	3276 73
Total,	$ 3648 43

We are very much encouraged in our work. Both congregations are growing and the outlook is very promising. The two Guilds are active and helpful. The Ladies' Parish Aid Association is engaged in efforts to secure a Rectory, with good prospect of success. It forwarded, last winter, a missionary box of general household supplies, valued at $ 145.00 to the family of a worthy Clergyman of a neighboring Diocese. Much valuable help and assistance both in public and in private ministrations has been rendered by the Rector's father, the Rev. John Martin, during the past year. The Rev. Jesse Higgins became assistant minister in October last, and has proved himself to be an earnest, active and zealous co-laborer with the Rector throughout the Parish, but chiefly in the Old Swedes' Church.

Calvary Church, Wilmington.

REV. G. W. DUBOIS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 23; adult 2; total	25
Confirmed	9
Communicants—Last reported	153
" Since died	6
" Lost by removal	8
" Added	20
" Present number	159
Marriages	2
Funerals	15
Sunday School Teachers	27
" Scholars	275

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 5 00
" In aid of Parishes in Diocese	3 50
" Domestic and Foreign Committees	10 00
" In Colorado and Mexico	10 00
Total	$ 28 50
Home for Aged Clergy; Ballston N. Y.,	5 00
Jersey City Hospital, for sick children's ward	15 66
Bible and Prayer Book Society	5 00
Communion and offertory alms for sick and poor	132 82
Diocesan charges	8 00
Apportionment for Episcopate	30 60
Prayer Books and Hymnals	36 50
Book racks for the same	15 00
Repairs to church edifice	47 58
Christmas festival for Sunday School	45 05
Sunday School requisites	35 35
" Hymn books	38 00
" Leaflets and lesson papers	17 98
Publications for distribution in the Parish, viz: Parish Visitor, $37.50; British Workman $5; Church Mission News, $2.50; Pastoral letter and tracts $17.10	62 10
Fuel and Gas	63 00
Insurance and water rent	25 20
Incidentals	28 17
On account of Rector's salary	916 00
" " Organist's salary	50 00
Sexton's wages	156 00
Total	$1761 51
Sick and Disabled Clergy Fund	5 00
	$ 1766 51

Christ Church, Christiana Hundred.

REV. DUDLEY D. SMITH, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant	22
Confirmed	3
Communicants—Last reported	133
" Removed	3
" Lost	5
" Added	3
" Present number	128
Funerals	6
Sunday School Teachers	13
" " Scholars	126

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$158 50		
" Aid of Clergy	50 00		
		$208	50
" Domestic—private	106 00		
" Collection	23 94		
" Kansas	105 59		
" American Church Miss. Soc.	55 82		
" " Ladies' Auxiliary	225 00		
" " Private gift	25 00		
" Poor Churches	301 40		
" Sufferers by flood	79 07		
		$ 921	82
" Foreign—Church Collection	41 47		
" Easter offering	22 45		
" 5 Cent Collection	150 25		
" Missionary Box	3 00		
" Sunday School offering	100 46		
" Women's Union Mission Society	70 00		
" Private	144 10		
		$531	73
Total for Missions		$1662	05
Evangelical Education Society		87	00
American Tract Society		28	83
American Bible Society		54	65
Seamans' Chapel, Philadelphia		50	00
Episcopate and Convention		121	25
Communion Alms		95	16
Church Repairs		408	19
Total		$2507	13

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Immanuel Church, New Castle.

REV. C. S. SPENCER, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant,	7
Confirmed,	7
Communicants Died,	5
" Added,	8
" Removed,	1
" Present number,	98
Marriages,	1
Funerals,	9
Sunday Schools,	2
Bible Class,	1
Teachers,	17
Scholars in regular attendance,	190

OFFERINGS.

Diocesan Missions,	70 11
Domestic "	118 00
" Bishop Morris,	50 80
" " Paddock,	45 00
Nashotah Missions,	22 83
Freedmen of South,	19 02
Foreign Missions,	69 39
" Bible Class for St. Barnabas' Hospital	3 35
Indian Missions	8 35
Increase of Ministry,	8 87
Disabled Clergy fund,	8 51
Widows and Orphans' fund,	14 65
S. S. Library,	7 23
Prayer Books and Hymnals,	12 83
Conversion of Jews,	9 51
Parish Library,	9 03
General Parish Purposes,	149 31
" " Painting Chapel	26 25
For Bishop Elliott,	$ 24 00
Sunday School Offering for School at Niobrara,	68 28
Alms Fund,	97 00
Total,	$ 832 32

St. James' Church, Newport.

REV. W. D. HANSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant	3
Communicants—Last reported	17
" Died	1

Communicants—Removed		1
" Present number		15
Funerals		1
Missions—Diocesan	$	2 00
" Domestic (American Church Missionary Society)		2 10
" Foreign		2 00
" (Mexico)		2 50
Total	$	8 60
Diocesan Disabled Clergy Fund	$	1 85
Alms		1 10
Diocesan charges		5 00
Parochial		150 00
Total	$	166 55

Invaluable aid has been rendered by Mr. John M. Newbold, Lay Reader, who has kept up the services during the long continued illness of the Rector.

St. James' Church near Stanton.

REV. W. D. HANSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 3 ; adult 1 ; total		4
Communicants—Number last reported		66
" Since died		2
" Added		1
" Present number		65
Funerals		3

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan		3 00
" Domestic (Amer. C. M. S.)		3 00
" Foreign		5 00
" " Mexico		8 50
" " Missionary boxes		7 75
Total	$	27 25
Dis. Clergy Fund		3 15
Alms		6 75
Diocesan charges		8 00
Parochial		849 07
Total	$	894 22

$236.53, included in the above have been expended in repainting and refurnishing the church.

It is gratifying also to note that through the faithful and highly acceptable services of our Lay Reader, Mr. Wm. H. Churchman, the church has been kept open during the protracted illness of the Rector. As a memorial of a late devoted and highly active communicant a costly cabinet organ has been presented to the church.

St. Thomas' Church, Newark.

REV. H. ALLEN GRIFFITH, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 1; Total	1
Communicants—Number last reported	71
" Removed	3
" Added	2
" Present Number	70
Funerals	1
Sunday Schools	1
Teachers	4
Scholars	25

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 70 00
" Domestic	48 50
Total	$ 118 50
Communion Alms—Charitable aid	32 74
Theological Education	25 00
Diocesan charges	36 00
Parochial	664 00

REMARKS.

The present Rector only took charge of the parish in last October; this report, therefore, so far as he is concerned, only represents about eight months' work. From the last Convention up to the time of his taking charge, the parish was without a Rector. During the past six months the interior of the church has been handsomely decorated, and the money has been raised for an iron fence, which will inclose the entire property.

Christ Church, Delaware City.

REV. DAVID HOWARD, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant,	15
Confirmed,	1
Communicants, Number last reported	41
" Added,	4
" Removed	5
" Present number	40

Funerals,	2
Sunday Schools 1. Bible Classes	1
" Teachers,	8
" Scholars,	61
Public Services Sundays,	98
" Other days,	93
Total	190
Celebrations of Holy Communion	30

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Sunday Offerings	$107 12
For missions—Diocesan	11 24
" Foreign,	11 15
Communion Alms and Charitable Aid,	24 10
Church Improvement,	624 71
Current Expenses	316 41
Total	$1094 73

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERINGS.

To Bishop Whipple for Seabury Divinity School,	$20 00
Sunday School Library,	55 10
" Hymnals and Cards,	12 04
Total,	$ 87 14

During the past year the Church has been greatly improved by putting on an entire new roof and painting the interior at a cost o $624 71.

The congregation is gradually increasing and great interest is manifested both in the welfare of the Parish as well as the services of the Church. The Rector has met with the readiest acquiescence in all his suggestions from the vestry and people, and has every reason to feel encouraged.

St. Anne's Church, Middletown.

S. H. S. GALLAUDET, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 1; Adult, 1; Total	2
Confirmed	9
Communicants—Number last reported	75
" Added	9
" Present number	84
Funerals	1

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES.

Teachers	6
Scholars	35

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan		$ 5 10
Total		5 10
Communion alms and Charitable aid		9 00
Diocesan charges		8 00
Episcopate		35 46
Parochial		2500 00

REMARKS.

This report is only for one month, from May 1st, when I took charge of this Parish. The new Rectory has been finished and occupied and about $1700 paid, leaving a balance of $1300 still due.

St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.

REV. W. B. GORDON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant		6
Communicants—Present number		77
Marriages		4
Burials		5
Sunday School—Teachers		6
" " Scholars		54
Total		60

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms		$ 40 09
Rector's salary		1000 00
Missions—Diocesan	$ 40 00	
" Domestic	22 63	
" Foreign	20 00	
" Jewish	6 00	
Total for Missions		88 63
Disabled Clergy		16 00
Clergymen's Retiring Fund Society		22 00
Flood sufferers in Southern Ohio		28 75
Sunday School Easter Offering		50 50
Church at Lancaster C. H., Va,		10 00
Episcopal and Convention Fund		51 00
Parochial		1657 20
Total contributions		$2964 17

Since last Convention the parish has built and furnished a commodious Rectory at a cost of about $3,500, which does not include the lot. The latter, which was valued at $1,000, was presented by Mrs. Susan H. Fisler.

Christ Church, Dover.

LEWIS W. GIBSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 10; adult 5; total	15
Confirmed	7
Communicants—Number last reported	99
" Removed	7
" Died	4
" Added by removal	4
" " by first communion	8
" Present number	99
Marriages	3
Burials	6
Sunday Schools—Dover—Scholars	65
" " Teachers	11
" Camden—Scholars	40
" " Teachers	
Public Services—Sundays	118
" Other days	118
Total	236

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial—Rector's salary	$ 975 00	
Repairs of rectory	105 50	
Church expenses	295 00	
Organ	676 50	
Sunday School	86 61	
Charities	52 07	
Total		$ 2,190 68
Extra Parochial—Episcopal Fund	$ 68 57	
Convention fund	10 00	
Disabled Clergy fund	33 33	
Diocesan Missions	50 07	
Domestic "	81 28	
Mission to Jews	9 07	
General Missions	16 93	
		$ 269 25
Total		$2,459 93

Christ Church, Milford.

REV. L. H. JACKSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 9: Adult, 1: Total,	10

Confirmed,	5
Communicants, Number last reported,	75
" Since died,	2
" Lost by removal,	1
" Added,	13
" Present number	85
Marriages,	4
Funerals,	13
Public Services,	115

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES.

Teachers, 5: Scholars,	46

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions.—Diocesan,	$ 15 00
Total.	15 00
Communion Alms and Charitable aid,	$ 16 64
Diocesan charges,	6 00
Episcopate,	30 37
Parochial,	63 97
S. School,	11 56
Total.	$143 54

REMARKS.

Through the efforts of the Ladies' Church Guild, our old Organ has been exchanged for a much larger, and better one. I have officiated at the Church of St. John the Baptist, Milton, several times: and now go regularly twice a month.

St. Stephen's Church, Harrington.

REV. L. H. JACKSON, MISSIONARY.

At Harrington I have held Services twice a month whenever the weather would permit. The *average* attendance has been about thirty-five persons. Of the four communicants reported last year, we have lost one by removal to Seaford; a great loss, as she was our Organist. This seems to be our great drawback. The few Church people that come to Harrington do not remain long.

The contributions, amounting to $4 40, have been appropriated to the payment of incidental expenses.

St. Paul's Church, Georgetown.

REV. BENJAMIN J. DOUGLASS, Rector.

Baptism—Infant, 4; Adult, 3; Total	7
Confirmed, 5; at Milton, 2; Total	7

Communicants—Number last reported	48
" Lost by removal	2
" Lost otherwise	4
" Added	6
" Present number	48
Marriages	8
Funerals	6
Public services	150
Sunday School Teachers	8
Scholars	60

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$20 00
" Domestic	5 00
" Foreign	5 00
Total	$30 00
Disabled Clergy Fund	$5 00
New York Bible and Prayer Book Society	$5 00
Endowment of Episcopate	20 00
Diocesan charges	26 00
Parochial	100 00
Other Purposes	300 00
Total	$486 00

St. Peter's Church, Lewes.

REV. JOHN L. McKIM, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant	4
Communicants	34
Funerals	1
Sunday School—Teachers	6
" " Scholars	40
Bible Class (Adults)	16
Public Services—Sundays	27
" " Other days	30

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Rector's Salary	$ 53 00
Contingent Expenses	157 00
Disabled Clergy Fund	5 29
Diocesan Missions	6 19
Domestic and Foreign Missions	10 00
Diocesan charges	23 00
Total	$ 254 48

The above report is for the six months since the First Sunday in Advent; at which time I assumed the charge of the parish.

St. Luke's Church, Seaford.

GEO. S. FITZHUGH, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 4; Total	4
Confirmed	4
Communicants—Number last reported	104
" Lost by removal	4
" Added	2
" Present number	106
Marriages	1
Funerals	4
Public services	85

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES.

Sunday school lectures	14
Teachers	8
Scholars	90

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions Diocesan	$10 00
General Disabled Clergy and for orphans and widows of Clergy	9 00
Communion alms and Charitable aid	40 00
Societies—Education, Bible, Prayer Book, &c	4 00
Diocesan charges	38 00
Parochial	430 00
Total	531 00

Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Philip's, Laurel.

GEO. S. FITZHUGH, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 7: Total,	7
Communicants, last reported,	53
Since died,	2
Lost by removal,	1
Added,	4
Present number,	54
Marriages,	3
Funerals,	3
S. S. Teachers, 8; Scholars	57
Contribution to Diocesan Missions,	$7 00
To General Fund for Disabled Clergy and Orphans and Widows of deceased Clergymen,	$ 7 00
Diocesan charges,	15 00
Parochial,	450 00
Total,	$479 00
Public Services,	120

Rev. Geo. W. Johnson, Missionary in Sussex Co.

To the Bishop of the Diocese of Delaware.

As your Missionary I would respectfully report,

Baptisms—Children	11
Confirmed	3
Communicants—Last reported	85
" Died	1
" Added	2
" Present number	89
Marriages	4
Funerals	5
Sunday School—Teachers	20
" " Scholars	260
Public services Sunday	100
" " Week day	30

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 40 00
Diocesan charges	5 00
Episcopate	9 00
For salary of the Missionary	66 00
Sunday School expenses	65 00
Front iron fence at St. George's	236 00
From entertainment in Long Neck	35 00
Expenses, Incidental	25 00
Total	$ 481 00

During the past year, the dilapidated front wall, enclosing the cemetery at St. George's has been replaced by a substantial iron fence. The pews in the Chapel of the Comforter, Long Neck, have been nicely painted and grained.

The Sunday Schools of my four churches are doing well, thereby affording me an encouraging hope for the future of our beloved church.

The following is a detailed amount of the work in the four churches.

St. George's.

Baptisms—Children	2
Communicants last report	21
Died	1
Present number	20
Marriages	4
Funerals	5
Sunday School—Teachers	4

Sunday School—Scholars	30
Public services—Sunday	25
" " Week day	8

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Diocesan Missions	$ 1 95
Diocesan charges	1 00
Episcopate	2 00
For salary of Missionary	36 00
Sunday School expenses	12 00
" Iron fence	236 00
Incidental expenses	15 00
Total	$ 303 95

Chapel of the Comforter.

Baptisms—Children	2
Communicants	14
Sunday School—Teachers	5
" " Scholars	40
Public services—Sunday	25
" " Week day	7
Total	32

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan	$ 3 05
Diocesan charges	1 00
Episcopate	1 50
Sunday School expenses	15 00
For salary of Missionary	30 00
Proceeds of entertainment	35 00
Total	$ 85 55

St. Mark's, Little Creek Hd.

Baptisms—Children	5
Communicants—Last report	39
Confirmed	2
Added	2
Present number	43
Sunday School—Teachers	4
" " Scholars	90
Public services—Sunday	25
" " Week day	8
Total	33

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan	$26 00
Sunday School expenses	18 00
Diocesan charges	2 00
Episcopate	4 50
Total	$50 50

St. Andrew's, Ellis Grove.

Baptisms	2
Communicants—Last reported	9
Confirmed	1
Present number	10
Funerals	1
Sunday School—Teachers	8
" " Scholars	102
Public services—Sunday	25
" " Week day	7
Total	32

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Mission—Diocesan	$ 8 00
For the Missionary	4 38
For Sunday School expenses	20 00
Total	$ 32 38

St John's Church, Greenville.

REV. WM. ROBERT ELLIS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 4; adult 1; total	5
Communicants—Last reported	32
" Died	2
" Present number	30
Marriages	4
Funerals	3
Public Services—Sunday	18
" Other days	8
Total	26
Sunday School—Teachers	6
" Scholars	50

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan charges	$ 7 50
Communion Alms	4 50
Other purposes	9 75

St Mark's Church, Millsboro.

REV. WILLIAM ROBERT ELLIS, Rector.

Baptism—Infant	1
Communicants—Last reported	13
" Added by confirmation	1
" Lost by removal	2
" Dropped	1
" Present number	11
Marriages	15
Funerals	3
Public services—Sunday	20
" Other days	16
" Total	36
Sunday School—Teachers	6
" Scholars	50

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan charges	$ 4 25
Church Improvement	100 00
Other purposes	25 00

The congregation is much more active than formerly. We have recently painted the inside of the church and put down a new carpet. We contemplate further improvements. The thanks of the congregation are due to Gov. Stockley for his present, to the parish, of a bell.

Grace Church, Baltimore Mills.

REV. WILLIAM ROBERT ELLIS, Rector.

Communicants, last reported,	8
" Added by Confirmation,	3
" Total,	11
Public Services, Sundays,	13
" Other days,	1
Total,	14
Sunday School Teachers,	6
" Scholars,	50

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan charges,	$ 4 25
Church Improvement and other purposes,	25 00

The Parish seems to be waking up. It has done more this year than for several years past. The interior of the Church has been beautified by painting and carpeting. The outlook is much more encouraging. A good Sunday School has been organized, the responses are better, the music has been much improved, and the attendance is encouraging.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Clergy, canonically resident	38
Candidates for Orders	1
Clergymen, Parochial, and Missionary	22
" having more than one charge	6
" dismissed	2
" received	5
" ordained, Priests 2, Deacons 1	3
Parishes	27
Churches and Chapels	36
Baptisms,—infant 236, adult 30, total,	266
Confirmed	119
Communicants—removed	69
" died 45, lost otherwise, 12	57
" added	238
" present number	2196
Marriages	63
Funerals	158
Sunday Schools—Teachers	278
" Scholars	2581

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions, Diocesan	$1,150 86	
" Domestic	2,805 12	
" Foreign	973 50	
" Not specified	118 08	
Total		$5,042 51
Relief of Disabled Clergy		393 15
Charitable		1,121 98
Expenses of Convention		230 00
Episcopate Apportionment		791 87
Endowment of Episcopate		101 89
Societies—Education, Bible, Prayer Book, &c.		375 64
Parochial		30,020 68
Other purposes		300 00
Total		$38,377 22

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention will be held in St. Peter's Church, Smyrna on the first Wednesday in June, 1885.

APPORTIONMENT.

PARISHES.	AMOUNT.	CREDIT.	BALANCE.	INTEREST.	CONVENTION EXPENSES.
Ascension, Claymont	$ 900 00	$ 102 57	$ 797 43	$ 39 87	$ 8 00
Grace, Brandywine Hd.	400 00	35 70	364 30	18 21	4 00
Calvary, " "	100 00	10 60	89 40	4 47	3 00
St. John's, Wilmington	2,000 00	237 35	1,762 65	88 13	10 00
St. Andrew's, "	7 750 00	4,872 00	2,878 00	143 90	30 00
Trinity, "	3,000 00	238 38	2.761 12	138 05	25 00
Calvary, "	700 00	20 00	680 00	34 00	8 00
Christ, Christiana Hd.	2,250 00		2,250 00	112 50	20 00
Immauuel, New Castle	3,500 00				25 00
St. James, Stanton	1,600 00				8 00
" " Newport	500 00				5 co
St. Thomas, Newark	900 00	273 07	626 93	31 34	8 00
Christ, Delaware City	300 00	20 02	279 98	13 99	5 00
St. Anne's, Appoquinimink	800 00	12 03	787 97	39 39	8 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna	1,000 00	644 78	326 20	16 31	10 00
Christ, Dover	1,000 00	84 31	915 69	45 78	10 00
" Milford	800 00	125 00	675 00	33 75	6 00
St. John Baptist, Milton	250 00	5 00	245 00	12 25	3 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown	500 00	40 00	460 00	23 00	5 00
St. Peter's, Lewes	500 00	100 00	400 00	20 00	5 00
St. George's, Indian River	100 00		100 00	5 00	3 00
St. Luke's, Seaford	600 00	11 94	588 06	29 40	8 00
Christ, Broad Creek, St. Philip's, Laurel,	250 00	8 25	241 75	12 08	4 00
St. Mark's, Little Creek	100 00		100 00	5 00	2 00
St. John's, Greenville	100 co		100 co	5 00	3 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro	50 00		50 00	2 50	2 00
Grace, Baltimore Mills					

Other Purposes.

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Other Purposes.	Total.	Current Expenses.
...	$4311 64	included.
....	4742 45	included.
..	118 20	included.
..	4447 84	included.
.	2107 92	not included.
....	3818 43	included.
..	1766 51	included.
..	2507 13	not included.
...	867 27	not included.
...	166 55	included.
..	894 22	included.
..	876 24	not included.
...	1207 63	included.
...	2557 56	included.
...	2968 17	included.
..	2459 93	included.
..	143 54	not included.
...	14 02	not included.
00	486 60	included.
...	254 48	included.
..	391 50	included.
	527 46	included.
..	478 80	included.
..	50 50	included.
...	32 38	included.
..	21 75	included.
..	129 25	included.
.	29 25	included.
00	$38377 22	

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Treasurers' Accounts.

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church, of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

DR.

1883.			
June 4	To Cash	Balance in Bank	$649 39
" 11	"	Ascension, Claymont, interest on app't	31 90
"	"	Grace, Brandywine Hundred, "	15 02
"	"	St. Thomas, Newark, "	25 08
"	"	St. Anne's, Appoquinimink, "	31 52
"	"	Christ, Milford, on acc't, "	17 00
"	"	St. John's, Milton, "	9 80
"	"	St. Peter's, Lewes, "	16 00
"	"	St. Paul's Georgetown, "	19 60
"	"	St. George's, Indian River, "	4 80
"	"	St. Luke's, Seaford, "	23 52
"	"	Christ, B. Creek and Laurel, "	9 67
"	"	St. Mark's, Little Creek, "	4 00
"	"	St. John's, Greenville, "	4 00
"	"	St. Mark's, Millsboro, "	2 00
"	"	Grace, Baltimore Mills, "	2 00
"	"	Calvary, Brandywine Hundred, "	3 58
" 14	"	Christ, Delaware City, "	11 30
"	"	St. Paul's, Georgetown acc't of Principal	5 00
"	"	W. J. Frost, Jno. Anderson Fund	10 00
"	"	Christ Church, Dover, Endowment of Episcopate	27 36
Oct. 20	"	6 mos. interest A. Higgins, to Oct. 9, 1883	200 00
" 30	"	6 " " J. Morrow, to Sept. 1, 1883	125 00
"	"	6 " " City Loan, to July 1, 1883	30 00
	Total		$1276 81

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

CR.

1883.			
July 11	By Cash Paid G. Chandler		$ 10 00
" 14	" " Bishop Lee		230 06
Sept. 24	" " Elliott, Johnson & Co , for City Bond and interest		557 00
Oct. 30	" " Bishop Lee		355 00
Nov.	" " G. Chandler, Tr		124 75
			$1276 81

This account examined and found correct.

May 4, 1884.

HORACE BURR,
WM. P. CRESSON.

Geo. D. Aamstrong, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church, of the Diocese of Delaware.

DISABLED CLERGY FUND.

DR.

1883.		
June 4	To Cash Balance in Bank	$2191 87
" 26	Collection, Convention, June, 1883	10 85
Oct. 30	Cash St. James, Stanton	3 15
"	" " Newport	1 85
"	" 6 mos. interest on $50 00 City Loan to Aug. 1, 1883	1 50
"	" 6 " " " $300 00 " " Oct. 1, 1883	9 00
	Total	3,218 22

Geo. D. Armstrong, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

DISABLED CLERGY FUND.

1883.		CR.
July 19	By Cash paid J. A. Stone	$ 75 00
June 29	" " Elliott, Johnson & Co., on 2 $1000 00 City Loan and accrued interest	2120 00
Nov.	" " G. Chandler, Tr	23 22
	Total	$3218 22

Examined and found correct.

June 4, 1884.

HORACE BURR,
WM. P. CRESSON.

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

DR.

1883.			
Nov. 22	By Cash from G. D. Armstrong		$ 124 75
1884.			
Jan. 14	"	Trinity, Wilmington	110 44
"	"	6 mos. interest on $1,000 City Loan	30 00
"	"	6 mos. interest on $500 City Loan	15 00
Mar. 25	"	St. Andrew's, Wilmington	129 51
Apr. 1	"	6 mos. interest, J. Morrow, March 1, 1884	125 00
" 8	"	St. John's, Wilmington, on account principal	25 00
" 10	"	6 mos. interest, J. C. Higgins, to April 9.	200 00
" 14	"	St. John's, Wilmington, interest	80 44
" 23	"	Christ, Christiana Hd., interest	101 20
" 25	"	Rev. B. J. Douglass, principal	10 00
"	"	St. Paul's, Georgetown, principal	5 00
"	"	St. Paul's Sunday School "	5 00
May 15	"	Calvary Church, Wilmington, interest	80 60
" 28	"	Mrs. J. Frost, John Anderson Fund	10 00
			$1001 94
June 3	Deduct from the above belonging to the John Anderson Fund		100 00
			$ 901 94

May 19, By Cash from Henry Eckel, late Treasurer of St. Mark's, Wilmington, $189.40.

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

CR.

1884.		
Jan. 15	By Cash Paid Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D	$ 155 44
Apr. 11	" " " " "	454 51
June 2	" " " " "	212 24
	Balance	79 75
	Total	$ 901 94

INVESTMENTS.

Bond and mortgage of Jas. Morrow, 5%	$5,000 00
" " John C. Higgins, 5%	3,000 00
Wilmington City Loan, 6%	1,000 00
" " " "	500 00

Above account examined and found correct.

June 4, 1884.

HORACE BURR,
WM. P. CRESSON.

C. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

DISABLED CLERGY FUND.

DR.

1883.			
Nov. 22	To Cash Rec'd from G. D. Armstrong	$	23 22
Dec. 5	" from Immanuel, New Castle		8 51
" 29	" " St. Peter's, Lewes		4 29
1884.			
Jan. 1	" " 6 mos. interest on New Castle 5% Bonds		60 00
" 8	" " Christ Church, Dover		32 32
" 14	" " St. Paul's, Georgetown		8 00
" 15	" " 6 mos, interest on City Bond for November		30 00
" 22	" " Calvary, Brandywine Hundred		1 77
Apr. 1	" " Ascension, Claymont		5 00
"	" " 6 mos. interest, City Loan April 1, 1884		1 50
"	" " 6 mos. interest, City Loan		9 00
May 14	" " 6 mos. interest, City Loan		30 00
		$	198 61

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

DISABLED CLERGY FUND.

CR.

1883.		
Dec. 31	By Cash Paid Rev. J. A. Stone	$ 75 00
	Balance	123 61
		$ 198 61

Examined and found correct.
June 4. 1884.

HORACE BURR,
WM. P. CRESSON.

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

DR.

1884.			
June	4	To Balance in Treasury	$ 79 75
"		By Cash from St. Peter's, Smyrna	15 98
"		" St. Peter's, Smyrna, principal	29 02
"		" Ascension, Claymont	35 90
"		" Grace, Brandywine Hundred	16 39
"		" Calvary, " "	4 04
"		" St. Thomas, Newark	28 21
"		" Christ, Delaware City	12 60
"		" St. Anne's, Appoquinimink	85 46
"		" Christ Church, Dover	41 20
"		" Christ Church, Milford, 1883	10 00
"		" Christ Church, Milford	80 37
"		" St. John Baptist, Milton	11 02
"		" St. Paul's, Georgetown	21 60
"		" St. Peter's, Lewes	18 00
"		" St. George's, Indian River	4 50
"		" St. Luke's, Seaford	26 46
"		" St. Philip's, Laurel	10 80
"		" St. Mark's, Little Creek	4 50
"		" St. John's, Greenville,	4 50
"		" St. Mark's, Millsboro	2 25
"		" Grace, Baltimore Mills	2 25
"	7	" Trinity, Wilmington	124 25

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

CR.

1884.		
June 9	By Cash Paid Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, L. D. D.....	$ 460 28

DISABLED CLERGY FUND.

June 8,	To Balance in Treasury.....	$123 61
"	By Cash from Calvary, Wilmington.....	5 00
"	" Grace, Brandywine Hundred	7 50
"	" Collection at Delaware City	11 35
" 6,	" Christ Church, Dover	2 00

DR. *G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware*

1883.			
June 6	To Balance in Treasury		$ 241 71
"	To cash from	Ascension, Claymont	8 00
"	" "	Grace, Brandywine Hundred	4 00
"	" "	Calvary, " "	3 00
"	" "	St. James', Newport	5 00
"	" "	St. James, Stanton	8 00
"	" "	St. Peter's, Lewes	5 00
"	" "	Christ Church, Delaware City	5 00
"	" "	St. Paul's, Georgetown	5 00
"	" "	Christ Church, Milford	6 00
"	" "	St. Luke's, Seaford	8 00
"	" "	St. Thomas', Newark	8 00
"	" "	St. Anne's, Appoquinimink	8 00
"	" "	St. Peter's, Smyrna	10 00
"	" "	St. George's, Indian River	3 00
"	" "	St. Philip's, Laurel	4 00
"	" "	St. Mark's, Little Creek	2 00
"	" "	St. Mark's, Millsboro	2 00
"	" "	Grace, Baltimore Mills	2 00
"	" "	St. John's, Greenville	3 00
"	" "	Immanuel, New Castle	25 00
"	" "	St. John Baptist, Milton	8 00
"	" "	St. John's, Wilmington	10 00
" 8	" "	Trinity, Wilmington	22 00
1884.			
Apr. 10	" "	St. John's, Wilmington	10 00
" 23	" "	Christ, Christiana Hundred	20 00
May 10	" "	St. Andrew's, Wilmington	30 00
" 15	" "	Calvary Church, Wilmington	8 00
			$ 468 71

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware. CR.

1883.				
June	6	By cash paid	Sexton of St. Peter's Church, Lewes	$ 5 00
"		" "	S. M. Curtis, for expenses on Journals, etc.	27 39
"	28	" "	James & Webb	135 65
Oct	2	" "	S. M. Curtis for G. Convention	90 00
			Balance	210 67
				$ 468 71

Examined and found correct.
June 4, 1884.

HORACE BURR,
WM. P. CRESSON,

[SUPPLEMENTARY.]

G. Chandler, Treasurer in account with the Diocese of Delaware.

1884.				DR.
June	9	To balance in treasury		$ 210 67
"		To cash from	Ascension, Claymont	8 00
"		" "	Grace, Brandywine Hundred	4 00
"		" "	Calvary, " "	3 00
"		" "	St. James', Stanton	8 00
"		" "	St. James', Newport	5 00
"		" "	St. Thomas', Newark	8 00
"		" "	Christ, Delaware City	5 00
"		" "	St. Anne's, Appoquinimink	8 00
"		" "	St. Peter's, Smyrna	10 00
"		" "	Christ Church, Dover	10 00
"		" "	Christ Church, Milford	6 00
"		" "	St. John Baptist, Milton	3 00
"		" "	St. Paul's, Georgetown	5 00
"		" "	St. Peter's, Lewes	5 00
"		" "	St. George's, Indian River	3 00
"		" "	St. Luke's, Seaford	8 00
"		" "	St. Philip's, Laurel	4 00
"		" "	St. Mark's, Little Creek	2 00
"		" "	St. John's, Greenville	3 00
"		" "	St. Mark's, Millsboro	2 00
"		" "	Grace, Baltimore Mills	2 00
"	7	" "	Immanuel, New Castle	25 00
"		" "	Trinity, Wilmington	25 00

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June 4	By cash paid Sexton at Delaware City.....		$ 5 00
"	" " S. M. Curtis.....		20 36

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1884.				DR.
June	9	To balance in treasury		$ 210 67
"		To cash from Ascension, Claymont		8 00
"		" " Grace, Brandywine Hundred		4 00
"		" " Calvary, " "		8 00
"		" " St. James', Stanton		8 00
"		" " St. James', Newport		5 00
"		" " St. Thomas', Newark		8 00
"		" " Christ, Delaware City		5 00
"		" " St. Anne's, Appoquinimink		8 00
"		" " St. Peter's, Smyrna		10 00
"		" " Christ Church, Dover		10 00
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"		" " St. Peter's, Lewes		5 00
"		" " St. George's, Indian River		8 00
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"		" " St. Philip's, Laurel		4 00
"		" " St. Mark's, Little Creek		2 00
"		" " St. John's, Greenville		8 00
"		" " St. Mark's, Millsboro		2 00
"		" " Grace, Baltimore Mills		2 00
"	7	" " Immanuel, New Castle		25 00
"		" " Trinity, Wilmington		25 00

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1884			CR.
June	4	By cash paid Sexton at Delaware City.....	$ 5 00
"		" " S. M. Curtis.....	20 86

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LIST

OF ALL THE

Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church,

Canonically resident in the Diocese of Delaware.

JUNE 3, 1885.

*RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

REV. ANGELO A. BENTON, D. D., Professor in Delaware College. P. O., Newark.

REV. GEORGE M. BOND, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Newark.

REV. GEORGE W. DUBOIS, D. D., residing at Wilmington.

REV. BENJAMIN J. DOUGLASS.

*REV. WILLIAM R. ELLIS, Rector of St. John's Church, Greenville, St. Mark's, Millsboro, and Grace Church, Baltimore Mills. P. O., Millsboro.

REV. GEORGE S. FITZHUGH.

*REV. LEWIS W. GIBSON, Rector of Christ Church, Dover.

REV. THOMAS H. GORDON, Principal of St. John's School, Faulkland.

*REV. WILLIAM B. GORDON, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.

*REV. WILLIAM D. HANSON, Rector of St. James' Church, Stanton, and St. James', Newport. P. O., Faulkland.

*REV. JESSE HIGGINS, Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, Wilmington.

*REV. DAVID HOWARD, Rector of Christ Church, Delaware City.

REV. LEWIS H. JACKSON.

*REV. GEORGE W. JOHNSON, Rector of St. John's Church, Indian River, St. Mark's, Little Creek, and Missionary. P. O., Georgetown.

REV. JAMES C. KERR, Rector of St Paul's Church, Georgetown.

REV. BENJAMIN H. LATROBE, Rector of Calvary Church, Wilmington.

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*REV. T. GARDINER LITTELL, Rector of St. John's Church, Wilmington.

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*REV. CHARLES E. MURRAY, Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

REV. WILLIAM A. NEWBOLD, Secretary of the American Church Missionary Society. P. O., New York.

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*REV. DUDLEY D. SMITH, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred. P. O., Wilmington.

*REV. CHARLES S. SPENCER, D. D., Rector of Immanuel Church, New Castle.

REV. KENSEY JOHNS STEWART, D. D.

REV HENRY TULLIDGE, D. D., residing at Smyrna.

REV. ELIAS WEIL, residing at Germantown, Philadelphia.

*REV. ROBERT H. WRIGHT, JR., Deacon, Rector of Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred.

ALFRED LEE,

Bishop of the Diocese of Delaware.

* Designates those entitled to seats in this Convention.

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES,

Certificates of whose election by their respective Churches were presented and approved.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY.

ASCENSION, *Claymont.*—Wm. C. Lodge, Wm. Cloud.
GRACE, *Brandywine Hd.*—Wm. P. Cresson, Louis Smith.
CALVARY, *Brandywine Hd.*—David Shaw,* Paschall Dixon.*
ST. ANDREW'S, *Wilmington.*—Gregg Chandler, George H. Bates.
TRINITY, *Wilmington.*—Dr. Horace Burr, John S. Grohe.
ST. JOHN'S, *Wilmington.*—George A. Elliott, Thomas B. Smith.
CALVARY, *Wilmington.*—Charles Cook,* Wm. R. Tadman.*
CHRIST, *Christiana Hd.*—Neal Conley, James Conley, Jr.
IMMANUEL, *New Castle.*—John M. Farlin,* Thomas Holcomb.
ST. James, *Stanton.*—Wm. H. Churchman, Alonzo Newlin.
ST. JAMES, *Newport.*—R. C. Justis, R. S. Armstrong.
ST. THOMAS, *Newark.*—S. M. Curtis, Wm. Cooch.
CHRIST, *Delaware City.*—Charles Corbit, Charles G. Ash.
ST. ANNE'S, *Middletown.*—H. N. Willitts, H. A. Nowland.

KENT COUNTY.

ST. PETER'S, *Smyrna.*—Wilson T. Cavender, George W. Cummins.
CHRIST, *Dover.*—Dr. Henry Ridgely, Thomas O. Culbreth.
CHRIST, *Milford.*—Not represented.

SUSSEX COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S, *Georgetown.*—Gov. C. C. Stockley, R. W. D. Albury.
ST. PETER'S, *Lewes.*—Wm. P. Orr. Charles W. Whiley, Jr.
ST. LUKE'S, *Seaford.*—Ed. L. Martin, Edgar C. Ross.
ST. MARK'S, *Millsboro.*—Henry C. Frame, Joseph C. Ellis.
CHRIST, *Broad Creek,* and ST. PHILIP'S, *Laurel.*—Dr. Ed. Fowler, B. J. Moore.*
ST. JOHN BAPTIST, *Milton.*—James Ponder, N. D. Welch.*
ST. MARK'S, *Little Creek.*—Stephen T. Ralph, L. W. Ellis.*
ST. JOHN'S, *Greenville.*—Cyrus Ward, Wm A. Cannon.*
ST. GEORGE'S, *Indian River.*—Wm. C. Burton, John E. M. Burton.*
GRACE, *Baltimore Mills.*—Not represented.

* Absent.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SMYRNA, JUNE 3d, 1885.

This being the day appointed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware, for the meeting of the Annual Convention, the Bishop and a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled at nine o'clock in the morning in the Chapel of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.

The Bishop of the Diocese called the house to order, and directed the Secretary of the last Convention to call the names of the Clergy of the Diocese entitled to seats, when the following answered to their names and took their seats, viz:

Rev. Wm. R. Ellis,
Rev. Lewis W. Gibson,
Rev. Jesse Higgins,
Rev. Geo. W. Johnson,
Rev. T Gardiner Littell,
Rev. Chas. S. Spencer, D. D.
Rev. Wm. B. Gordon,
Rev. W. D. Hanson,
Rev. David Howard,
Rev. P. B. Lightner,
Rev. Chas. E. Murray,

The Bishop appointed the Rev. Mr. Gibson, Messrs. G. W. Cummins, and W. C. Lodge, a committee to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates.

Rev. Mr. Gibson, on behalf of the Committee, reported the names of the Lay Delegates elected, and upon the roll being called by the Secretary, the following answered to their names, and took their seats, viz :

Wm. C. Lodge,	S. M. Curtis,
Wm. Cloud,	Wilson T. Cavender,
Gregg Chandler,	Geo. W. Cummins,
Geo. H. Bates,	Thos. O. Culbreth,
Dr. Horace Burr,	Dr. H. Ridgely,
Geo. A. Elliott,	Henry C. Frame,
Thos. B. Smith,	Stephen F. Ralph,
Alonzo Newlin,	Wm. C. Burton.

The Bishop stated that a quorum of both orders were present, and announced that the next business in order was the election of a Secretary, and appointed Rev. Mr. Ellis and Dr. Burr, tellers, to conduct the election.

The Rev. Mr. Littell nominated Mr. S. M. Curtis, and there being no other nomination, by unanimous consent a ballot was cast by the chair, for Mr. Curtis ; and no other votes having been cast, the chair announced as the result of the ballot, that Mr. Curtis had been duly elected, and the Convention was organized for business.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the Secretary was authorized to appoint an assistant.

The Secretary announced that he had appointed Mr. Geo. H. Bates as his assistant.

Rev. Dr. Spencer moved that the rules of order of the last Convention be adopted as the rules of order of the present session, which motion prevailed, and the rules of order were read, as follows, viz :

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, nor shall afterward stand, unless to address the chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

6. If a question in debate contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

7. While the President is putting any question, no one shal hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the house,or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered as before the House unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing, when required.

10. When any question is before the House, it shall be determined on before anything new is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the Chair.

13. The Journals of the Convention shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and a copy sent to each member of the Convention.

14. The charge or sermon, when delivered by the Bishop before the Convention, shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and one copy sent to each Clergyman, and ten copies to each Vestry in the diocese.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Littell, it was

Resolved, That clergymen of this Diocese not entitled to seats, clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and candidates for Holy Orders, who may be present, be invited to attend the sittings of the Convention.

Under this resolution were present the Rev. Dr. Tullidge, Rev. George M. Bond, Rev. B. H. Latrobe, Rev. James C. Kerr and the Rev. Lewis H. Jackson, of the Diocese of Delaware; the Rev. I. Leighton McKim and the Rev. F. B. Chetwood, of the Diocese of New Jersey.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Howard, it was

Resolved, That this Convention will meet daily at 9 o'clock A. M., to transact business, and take a recess from 1 to 3 o'clock, and from 6 to 8 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Chandler presented the account of the Secretary, for his official expenses during the past year, and, on his motion, the Treasurer was authorized to pay the same.

Mr. Chandler presented his account as Treasurer of the Convention, and his account as Treasurer of the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware, and moved that the same be referred to a special committee for audit, which motion prevailed.

The Rev. Mr. Littell presented the report of the Registrar, which was read, as follows :—

The Registrar reports that he has received, during the past year, seventeen additions to the archives, from the Bishops of Delaware and Colorado, and the Registrars of Dioceses.

T. GARDINER LITTELL,
Registrar.

The Rev. Mr. Gibson presented the report of the Standing Committee which was read, as follows, viz :—

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee beg leave to present the following report:

During the past year there have been held five meetings, as follows: The first, at Delaware City, June 4th, 1884, at which time the committee was duly organized and the Rev. C. S. Spencer. D. D., chosen President, and the Rev. D. D. Smith, Secretary.

Another meeting was held in New Castle, August 11th, 1884, at which time the committee signed the proper testimonials, giving consent to the consecration of Rev. Nelson S. Rulison D. D., as assistant Bishop-Elect of the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania.

A third meeting was held in Wilmington, November 17th, 1884, at which were presented and signed, the proper testimonials giving consent to the consecration of Rev. Wm. Paret, D. D., as Bishop-Elect of the Diocese of Maryland.

The fourth meeting was held in New Castle, Dec. 8th, 1884. At this meeting were presented the proper testimonials, which were signed, giving consent to the consecration of Rev. George Worthington, D. D., as Bishop-Elect of the Diocese of Nebraska.

The fifth meeting was held in St. Peter's church, Smyrna, June 3d, 1885, at which time the testimonials of Rev. Robert H. Wright were presented, and upon motion the Standing Committee proceeded to sign the testimonials recommending him for admission to the priesthood.

Attest, L. W. GIBSON,
June 3d, 1885. *Secretary pro. tem.*

The Chair announced as the Committee to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of Convention, and of the Trustees of the Diocese, Dr. Horace Burr and Dr. Henry Ridgely.

The Secretary presented a communication from the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, communicating the constitutional notification to this Convention, of the alterations and additions in the Book of Common Prayer of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the United States of America, proposed in the General Convention of 1883, and to be acted upon at the General Convention of 1886, and also, "The Book annexed to the report of the joint Committee of the Book of Common Prayer, as modified by the action of the General Convention of 1883," the latter being the Book of Common Prayer as modified by the amendments proposed in the said notification.

On motion of Mr. Curtis, the Treasurer was authorized to appoint an assistant.

The Treasurer announced that under the authority conferred upon him by the Convention, he had appointed the Rev. Mr. Murray as his assistant.

Dr. Burr, on behalf of the Committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention, and of the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Diocese, reported that the Committee had examined the same and found them correct.

(For accounts, see appendix.)

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Littell, the House then took a recess for Divine service.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Howard, Rector of Christ Church, Delaware City, the Rev. Mr. Ellis, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Millsboro ; the Litany by the Rev. P. B. Lightner, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont. The 202d hymn was sung. The Rev. Dr. Spencer, Rector of Immanuel Church, New Castle, read the Ante-Communion service and the Epistle. The Bishop read the Gospel. After the singing of the 409th hymn, the Convention sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Hanson, Rector of St. James' Church, Stanton, from the first epistle of Peter, fifth chapter, first, second and third verses. The Offertory was appropriated to the fund for the relief of sick and disabled clergy. In the Communion service and the distribution of the elements, the Bishop was assisted by the Rev. Dr. Spencer, and the Rev. Mr. Gordon. At the conclusion of the service, the Convention resumed business in the Chapel.

The following members of the Convention, not present at the opening of the session, appeared and took their seats, viz :

Rev. Robert H. Wright,	Wm. P. Orr,
Messrs. Robert C. Justis,	R. L. Armstrong,
William P. Cresson,	Louis Smith,

John S. Grohe,
James Conley, Jr.,
Thomas Holcomb,
Wm. H. Churchman,
Wm. Cooch,
Neal Conley,
Charles Corbit,
H. A. Nowland,
Chas. W. Whiley, Jr.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Lightner, it was

Resolved, That the Bishop be asked to draw up such a form for the parochial reports as experience makes most expedient, and have printed a number of copies sufficient to meet the wants of the Convention, and that the form be also printed in the journal.

On motion of Dr. Fowler,

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to suggest a plece for meeting of next Convention.

The Bishop nominated as a member of the Committee on Constitution and Canons:—Rev. Lewis W. Gibson, for five years, to succeed himself.

A ballot was ordered upon the confirmation of the nomination, and Rev. Dr. Spencer, and Dr. Fowler were appointed tellers. The tellers reported the ballot, and the Bishop announced that the Rev. Mr. Gibson had been unanimously elected for five years.

On motion of Mr. Bates, it was

Resolved, That a committee of three layman be appointed to nominate a proper person to be voted for as Trustee of the Diocese.

The Bishop named as the committee, Dr. Horace Burr, and Messrs. Henry A. Nowland, and William P. Orr.

The Convention then took a recess, until 3 o'clock, P. M.

ST. PETER'S CHAPEL, 3 o'clock P. M.

The Convention re-assembled.

The following delegates, who were not present at the morning session, appeared and took their seats in the Convention, viz:

James Ponder, Gov. C. C. Stockley, Charles G. Ash, H. N. Willitts, Wm. Cooch, R. W. D. Albury, Edgar C. Ross, Edw. L. Martin.

The Secretary read the minutes of the morning session and they were approved.

The Bishop then read his annual address, as follows :—

ADDRESS.

TO THE CLERICAL AND LAY MEMBERS OF THE NINETY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

Beloved in Christ:

For the first time for many years I am called to chronicle the removal by death of one of our clerical brethren.

At our present gathering we miss the form of a beloved and venerated clergyman who had been our associate in counsels and labours for more than fourteen years. The useful and blameless life of the Reverend Joseph A. Stone terminated on the 24th day of January, 1885. Mr. Stone was born in Cambridge, Mass., and was in the 69th year of his age. He was a graduate of Trinity College, Hartford, and of the Alexandria Theological Seminary. He was at different times Rector of churches at Carbondale, West Philadelphia, and Marcus Hook, Penna. In Sept. 1870, he became Rector of St. Thomas' church, Newark, where he continued in the faithful discharge of his duties until constrained by failure of health to retire from active ministrations in June 1881. Of the sterling excellencies of the character of Mr. Stone there could be but one opinion. While extremely unobtrusive and unassuming, the stamp of true godliness and devotedness to his holy calling was very plainly discernable. His heart was in his work. He was exemplary in private life as well as official duties, and served the Diocese for a number of years as a member of the Standing Committee and other trusts. After a brief respite from active and exhausting toil he rests from his labours.

Soon after the adjournment of our last Convention, on Trinity Sunday, June 8, in Church of the Ascension, Claymont, I admitted to the Diaconate Robert Hughes Wright, Jr. an alumnus of the Philadelphia Divinity School. On this occasion the rite of Confirmation was administered in Ascension Church, as also on the 23rd of November following. The home of our beloved brother, the Rector of the

Church, has been since darkened by the removal of two of his children, in which sore bereavement he has our heartfelt sympathy.

On the 24th June, 1884, in Christ Church, Delaware City, I ordained Martin Ball Dunlap, Alumnus of the Gen. Theological Seminary, to the Diaconate. Mr. Dunlap was soon after transferred to the Diocese of Connecticut.

The Clerical Changes during the conventional year have been in excess of the average rate. In fact, we had been for some time comparatively favored in the continuance of pastoral relations, and might have indulged hopes of a good measure of stability, in this respect, so that our recent experience was scarcely looked for.

The Rev. H. Greenfield Schorr resigned Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred, on the thirtieth September, 1884. He has been succeeded by the Rev. Robert H. Wright, who took charge November 1st, following.

The Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass resigned St. Paul's, Georgetown, on the 1st of October, 1884. A faithful pastorate of nearly thirteen years had greatly endeared Mr. Douglass to the people of his charge, and his zeal and energy as a missionary were extensively felt in other parts of Sussex County. He has left a monument of ministerial efficiency and personal liberality in the beautiful church which he was the instrument of re-building, with its adjacent chapel. Of his zealous and disinterested labors, I take this occasion, on your behalf, as well as my own, to testify my grateful appreciation, and to express at the same time the hope that his connection with this Diocese may continue, and his services be given in some other portion of our field.

A call to the rectorship of St. Paul's has been recently accepted by the Rev. James C. Kerr, of the Diocese of Albany, who has just entered upon his duties.

The Rev. John Linn McKim resigned the charge of St. Peter's Church, Lewes, December 14th, 1884.

The Rev. H. Allen Griffith resigned the rectorship of St. Thomas' church, Newark, in December last. He has been succeeded by the Rev. George M. Bond, from the Diocese of New Jersey, who took charge, January 18, 1885.

The Rev. George W. DuBois, D. D., resigned the rectorship of Calvary church, Wilmington, January 1st, 1885. Most assiduous, pleasant and sympathizing in his intercourse with his people, earnest and impressive in his public teachings and services, Dr. DuBois enjoyed in an eminent degree the love and confidence of his parish-

ioners, as well as of his clerical brethren and a large circle of attached friends. While greatly regretting to lose his services, it gives me pleasure to announce that the vacancy occasioned by his resignation was speedily filled by the Rev. Benj. H. Latrobe, a former Rector of the parish, who accepted the call to the same, and entered upon his duties on the 1st of May, 1885. Mr. Latrobe is cordially welcomed back by many old friends.

The Rev. George S. Fitzhugh resigned St. Luke's church, Seaford, Christ church, Broad Creek, and St. Philip's church, Laurel, May 1st, 1885.

The Rev. S. H. S. Gallaudet resigned the rectorship of St. Anne's church, Middletown, on Easter Monday last, to take effect June 1st, 1885.

The Rev. Lewis H. Jackson resigned the rectorship of Christ church, Milford, May 18th, 1885, to take effect after Whitsunday following.

A clergyman whose advanced years, ripe experience and zealous interest in the Master's work had won the high esteem of his brethren in the ministry and former parishoners, the Rev. John Baker Clemson, D. D., Rector emeritus of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont, has requested a transfer to the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

CLERGYMEN ADDED.

The Rev. Robert H. Wright, by ordination, June 8, 1884.
" " Martin Ball Dunlap, by ordination, June 24, 1884.
" " George M Bond, from New Jersey, Jan. 16, 1885.
" " Benjamin H. Latrobe, from Penna., May 18, 1885.
" " James C. Kerr, from Albany, June 1, 1885.

DISMISSED.

The Rev. Martin Ball Dunlap, to Connecticut, Sept. 16, 1884.
" " H. Greenfield Schorr to Pittsburgh, Oct. 11, 1884.
" " William J. Frost, D. D. to Springfield, Dec. 10, 1884.
" " H. Allen Griffith to Penna., March 18, 1884.
" " John B. Clemson, D. D. to Penna., May 30, 1885.
" " S. H. S. Gallaudet to New Jersey, June 1, 1885. Letter accepted June 8.

On the 12th December, 1884, I removed the Inhibition in the case of the Rev. Wm. J. Frost, D. D. issued April 16, 1881, and notified him thereof.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Church of the Ascension, Claymont - - - 6 Persons.
St. John's Church, Wilmington, - - - 15 "

St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington,	13	Persons.
Trinity, " " (Old Swedes)	12	"
Trinity Chapel, "	8	"
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	7	"
Immanuel, New Castle,	6	"
St. James, Newport,	5	"
St. James, Stanton,	6	"
St. Thomas, Newark,	2	"
Christ, Delaware City,	1	"
St. Anne's, Middletown,	2	"
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	3	"
Christ, Dover,	12	"
Christ, Milford,	1	"
St. Marks, Millsboro,	1	"
St. John's, Greenville,	1	"
St. George's, Indian River,	1	"
St. Mark's, Little Creek,	2	"
Total	104	

Through the exertions of members of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, and especially of the children of the Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, first rector of that Parish, a beautiful chapel has been erected on the borders of the city of Wilmington. This building I consecrated to the worship of God, assisted by a number of the clergy, on Sunday, November 30th, by the name of Immanuel Chapel. It is under the pastoral charge of the Rev. D. D. Smith, and affords spiritual advantage to a rapidly improving neighborhood. Upon this offering of loving hearts may the divine blessing abundantly rest and many souls be born there.

The notice of an appointment for Confirmation is always a cause of much anxiety and more abundant and zealous exertions on the part of those holding the Pastoral office. He who watches for souls desires then to present to the Lord's servant, for prayer and benediction, willing disciples of Christ, as the fruits of his ministry, such as he may hereafter present to the Lord himself as his joy and crown of rejoicing in the great day. When successful his heart overflows with joy. Often he is saddened by disappointed hopes and the apparent failure of his cares and efforts. But is it the minister of Christ alone who ought to be then aroused to exertion for the winning of souls? And can the full results of months of faithful labour be secured by the solitary unaided efforts of the Pastor? Are the work and the responsibility exclusively his? Is there not an urgent call to christians of his flock to cooperate

with him in seeking to bring wanderers into the fold of the good Shepherd? And is not this call urgently addressed to parents, sponsors, Sunday School teachers and near friends of baptized youth? I believe that very much of the good that might be reaped from such reminders of duty and opportunities of choice is lost by the lack of earnest cooperation of the members of the church with their ministers. It is left to him as his work, which no doubt it is, but none the less the work of all who belong to Christ. To the appeals and exhortations of the Rector, should be added the affectionate counsels of those who can possibly approach nearer to some hearts than he can. Of those who are to a greater or less degree impressed with their need of a Saviour's grace, there are few who do not require some help and sympathy from christian friends. Some, I am inclined to believe, suffer the favorable opportunity to slip away, it may be to their irreparable loss, because no one was ready to take them by the hand, and fortify their half-formed resolves and incipient convictions. While I have always discountenanced such urgencies as would lead the insincere and unrepenting to a hasty inconsiderate profession, I do earnestly desire to enlarge and deepen the sense of responsibility in this matter, and to secure the united efforts of people as well as pastors to bring those who are still living only for this world to choose the good part and confess the faith of Christ crucified. Let it not be the just complaint of any in our congregations who continue impenitent and die in their sins, "No one cared for my soul."

The death of Mr. J. Poulson Armstrong, an aged and highly esteemed layman, often present in our Conventions, is a real loss to the Diocese, and especially to St. James' Church, Stanton, of which he was warden.

On the 27th of April the Delaware Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions was organized in the City of Wilmington by ladies representing a number of Parishes and several of the clergy, Miss Julia C. Emery, Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary, being present. This Association will, it is hoped, increase the interest and enlarge the sphere of our Missionary activities. It desires, as far as practicable, to form Parish branch Societies. I cordially commend this good work to the sympathy and favor of the Rectors and the female members of the Church.

Some zealous laymen of Pennsylvania have started a plan entitled "Missionary Enrolment for 1886," which proposes to raise a fund of one million of dollars by individual subscriptions of five dollars for the general mission work of the Church, before the next General Convention. This is intended to be over and above such contributions as would be otherwise made. Of the desirableness of a magnificent

endowment of this kind there can be no question. Whether in a Diocese of any limited resources, which finds it no easy thing to support its own missionary operations and to share in some small degree in the general work of the Church, this effort can be pushed without interfering with the measures and agencies already at work I confess myself not fully satisfied, but I shall be pleased to know that churchmen of Delaware appear in the list of subscribers.

The office of Presiding Bishop, which, in the Providence of God, devolved upon me a year since, has of course made its demands upon my time and attention, particularly in the way of correspondence. In the performance of those duties I have taken order for the consecration of

The Rev. William Jones Boone, Missionary Bishop in China;
The Rev. Samuel D. Ferguson, Missionary Bishop in Africa;
The Rev. Nelson Somerville Rulison, D. D., Assistant Bishop of Central Pennsylvania;
The Rev. William Paret, D. D., Bishop of Maryland;
The Rev. George Worthington, D. D., Bishop of Nebraska.

I took part personally in the consecration of Bishop Rulison, in St. Paul's church, Cleveland, Ohio, on the 18th day of October, 1884, and in the consecration of Bishop Paret, in the Church of the Epiphany, Washington, on the 8th day of January, 1885.

For very sufficient reasons, the Missionary Bishop for China was consecrated in the city of Shanghai, on the 28th day of October, 1884, by the Rt Rev. C. M. Williams, Missionary Bishop of our Church in Japan, assisted by the Rt. Rev. George Evans Moule, and the Rt. Rev. Charles Perry Scott, Missionary Bishops of the Church of England, in China.

The consecration of the Rev. Mr. Ferguson is expected to take place in the city of New York, on St. John Baptist's Day, June 24 next.

At the request of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Kentucky, I delivered a memorial discourse on the life and labours of their late venerated Bishop, the Rt. Rev. B. B. Smith, before the Council of the Diocese convened in the city of Louisville. on the 24th of September, 1884.

I close, dear brethren, the report of a year in which I have been enabled to perform the usual amount of duty, with a grateful acknowledgment of God's sustaining hand, and an invocation of his blessing upon yourselves and your work.

ALFRED LEE.

The Bishop appointed as the committee to suggest a place for the meeting of the next convention, Messrs. Edward Fowler, Chas. C. Stockley and James Ponder.

The Bishop stated that he had received a communication giving the result of the litigation commenced against himself and certain members of the Convention, and Trustees of the Diocese, as noted in the Journal of 1883, page 24.

WILMINGTON, June 1, 1885.

RT. REV. ALFRED LEE, D. D.,

Right Reverend and Dear Sir:—We beg to hand you herewith a copy of the final decree of the Chancellor dismissing the suit commenced by Rev. Dr. Stewart against yourself, a committee of Convention, and the Treasurer and members of the Board of Trustees of the Diocese.

As we were requested to take charge of this matter we desire to say that it has been a great pleasure to us to render to you and to the Convention even so trifling a service.

The Chancellor acted upon the matter without hesitation, and would have decided it long before he did but for his desire to offer the fullest and fairest opportunity for the complainant to be heard.

The course which we took was, after filing answers from yourself and the committee to put the facts fully on record, to demur on behalf of the Trustees and move to dismiss the bill on behalf of those who had answered. The decree was made, therefore, after argument, upon the demurrers and motion to dismiss.

We would have moved to dismiss, in the first instance, but for your desire to answer the bill fully and avoid the slightest appearance of failing to meet the issue tendered by the suit.

If you deem it proper you can have the Convention advised of the termination of the matter.

With great respect and regard, we are your obedient servants,

GEO. H. BATES,
AUSTIN HARRINGTON.

In the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware

IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY.

REV. KENSEY JOHNS STEWART,
vs.
RT. REV. ALFRED LEE,
REV. THOS. GARDINER LITTELL
AND REV. BENJ. J. DOUGLASS,
ET AL.

BILL IN EQUITY,
SEPTEMBER T, 1883.

And now, to wit; this thirtieth day of March, A. D. Eighteen Hundred and Eighty-five, on the application of Austin Harrington, Esq., one of the Solicitors for the Defendants in the above stated cause; it is ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Chancellor, that the Bill filed by the complainant in said cause, be, and it is hereby dismissed with costs. It is further ordered, that the costs in said cause be paid by the complainant above named, in sixty days or attachment.

I, James M. Houseman, Register in Chancery for said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the final decree entered in the said cause.

Witness my hand and the seal of the said Court, this first day of June, A. D. 1885.

J. M. HOUSEMAN,
Register C. C.

SEAL.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Gibson, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be, and are hereby, tendered to Messrs. Bates and Harrington for their legal counsel and service rendered to the Bishop, and the Committee of this Convention, together with the Trustees of the Diocese, in the suit recently brought in the Court of Chancery of this State, and so satisfactorily disposed of.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Littell, it was

Resolved, That 1000 copies of so much of the address of the Bishop of the Diocese, as relates to the subject of lay co-operation in bringing candidates to Confirmation, be printed for the use of the clergy of this Diocese.

Rev. Mr. Littell presented the report of the Missionary and Education Committee, which was read, as follows:

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

From Churches.

Ascension, Claymont,	$ 20 00	
Calvary, Brandywine Hundred,	2 99	
St. John's, Wilmington, (Sunday School $13.63,)	43 28	
St. Andrew's, " (" " $100 00,)	245 00	
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	108 83	
Immanuel, New Castle,	34 30	
St. James', Newport,	3 00	
St. James', Stanton,	6 00	
St. Thomas', Newark,	5 14	
St. John's School, Faulkland,	1 00	
Christ Church, Delaware City,	21 19	
St. Anne's, Middletown,	5 00	
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	40 00	
Christ Church, Dover, (Sunday School $3.00,)	38 11	
Christ Church, Milford,	10 00	
St. George's I. R. and Chapel of the Comforter,	7 00	
St. Mark's, Little Creek,	22 00	
St. Andrew's, Ellis Grove,	9 00	
Gathering of Sunday Schools, Wilmington,	42 00	
		$ 663 84

INDIVIDUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

S. M. Curtis,	$ 50 00	
Mrs. F. A. Curtis,	10 00	
Bishop Lee,	25 00	
G. Chandler,	20 00	
Jos. C. Seeds,	12 00	
H. H. Johnson,	10 00	
		$ 127 00
June 7th, 1884, Collection at Convention,		13 86
June 7th, 1884, Balance from last year,		192 93
		$ 997 63

APPROPRIATIONS.

Rev. Geo. W. Johnson,	$ 500 00
Rev. D. Howard.	75 00

Rev. L. H. Jackson, - - -	100 00	
Rev. Geo. H. Fitzhugh, - - -	100 00	
Rev. P. B. Lightner, - - -	100 00	
		$875 00
Balance June 3d, 1885. - - -		$122 63

Expenditures exceeding receipts, about eighty dollars.

We notice the gratifying fact that one Parish, which had been receiving assistance for a number of years from the Committee, has become self-sustaining. Christ Church, Delaware City, has withdrawn from our list of beneficiaries.

To most of those heretofore aided the help we can give is not less important and needful. Our rural parishes and stations suffer frequent losses from the drift continually going from the country towards the large cities and towns. The tendency is becoming more noticeable from year to year. Population is increasing in the centres of business, rapidly, while in agricultural districts in the Atlantic States, it is stationary or retrogressive.

Young men of enterprise are the class specially subject to this influence, and in a feeble Parish such removals are greatly felt. It requires constant and faithful effort to enable the Church, under such circumstances, to hold her own, and even where new members are added, the pecuniary ability of the Parish may be diminishing. We must bear in mind these drawbacks in our estimate of the work. extend our cordial sympathy to earnest laborers who are tilling hard fields, and recognize with thankfulness God's blessing, although the harvest be not so plenteous as the reapers hope for.

There is reason to believe that the Missionary spirit is increasing among us. While rejoicing in all that is done for the great field in which the Church is engaged, and "the field is the world," we must not forget the urgent claims of our own comparatively narrow portion, the culture of which is specially bound upon ourselves.

ALFRED LEE,
T. GARDINER LITTELL,
H. H. JOHNSON.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Gordon, the Convention proceeded to the election of the Missionary and Education Committee.

Rev. Mr. Gordon nominated the following gentlemen :—

Rev. T. Gardiner Littell,
Rev. D. D. Smith,
Mr. H. H. Johnson,
Mr. F. G. DuPont.

Tbe Bishop appointed as tellers to conduct the election, the Rev. Messrs. Gordon and Ellis, of the clergy, and Messrs. Churchman and Cavender, of the laity.

Pending the report of the tellers, Dr. Burr, from and in behalf of the committee to nominate a Trustee, reported the name of Mr. Walter Cummins to succeed himself.

Dr. Fowler, from the Special Committee to propose a place for meeting of the next Convention, presented the following report :

The Committee appointed to propose a place for holding the next Diocesan Convention, respectfully suggest St. Luke's Church, Seaford.

EDWARD FOWLER,
C. C. STOCKLEY,
JAMES PONDER.

On motion, the report was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Bates, the Bishop was requested to transmit to the Convention of the Diocese of Easton, now in session at Centreville, a greeting by telegraph.

The following message was sent in pursuance of this action of the Convention.

The Convention of the Diocese of Delaware, in session in St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, send greeting in the Lord to the Convention of Easton.

ALFRED LEE,
President.

The tellers reported the ballot for the members of the Missionary and Education Committee, and the Bishop announced that the following gentlemen were elected.

REV. T. GARDINER LITTELL,
REV. D. D. SMITH,
MR. H. H. JOHNSON,
MR. FRANCIS G. DUPONT.

The election of a Trustee of the Diocese being in order, the Bishop appointed as tellers Rev. Messrs. Howard and Lightner of the clergy, and Messrs. Cooch and Cloud of the laity.

The tellers reported the ballot, and the Bishop announced that Mr. Walter Cummins had been unanimously elected to succeed himself, for the term of six years.

On motion of Mr. Bates, it was

Resolved. That a Committee be appointed to prepare, and address to the Vestries of the Diocese, a memorial upon the general subject of the adequate support of the Clergy.

The Bishop appointed David I. Cummins, Thos. Holcomb, Dr. Edward Fowler.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Gordon,

Resolved, That a committee of two laymen from each county be appointed to ascertain what is expected on the subject, and, if necessary, raise funds for defraying the expenses of the clerical deputies to the next General Convention.

The Bishop appointed Geo. H. Bates, Dr. Horace Burr, Dr. Henry Ridgely, Wilson T. Cavender, Dr. Hugh Martin and C. W. Whiley, Jr.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, it was ordered that 600 copies of the Journal be printed, and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the bill for the same when certified by the Secretary to be correct.

On motion of Mr. Cooch, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be extended to the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of St. Peter's Church, and to the citizens of Smyrna, for their kindness and hospitality, and that the usual compensation be paid to the sexton of this church.

The following telegram, in response to the message from this Convention, was received :

"The Diocese of Easton reciprocates the kindly wishes of the Diocese of Delaware, and send their greeting in return."

JAMES A. MITCHELL.

On motion. of Rev Mr. Ellis, the Convention proceeded to an election for the Standing Committee.

The Rev. Mr. Ellis nominated as the Standing Committee, Rev. Messrs. Spencer, Gibson, and Smith, and Messrs. S. M. Curtis, and Dr. H. Burr.

The Bishop appointed as tellers Rev. Messrs. Hanson and Wright, of the clergy, and Messrs. Cresson and Newlin, of the laity.

The tellers reported the ballot, and the Bishop announced as the result, the unanimous election, as Standing Committee, of the following gentlemen, viz :

Rev. Messrs. Spencer, Gibson and Smith, and Mr. S. M. Curtis and Dr. Horace Burr.

The Rev. Dr. Spencer offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote :

WHEREAS, This Convention has heard, with great sorrow, of the decease of the Rev. Joseph A. Stone, who for many years was an active member of this Diocese; be it

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the surviving relations of our deceased friend and brother, and that the Secretary of this Convention be authorized to express to them a sense of our loss.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

Resolved, That, after the reading of the minutes, the Convention take a recess till 8 o'clock.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, 8 o'clock P. M.

The Convention re-assembled. The annual Missionary meeting was held. Evening prayer was read by the Rev. Messrs. Higgins, Murray, and Latrobe. The 290th Hymn was sung.

Addresses were made by the Rev. Messrs. Littell and Lightner. The usual offering was made for Missions in the Diocese, and after the singing of the 425th Hymn and prayers, the Bishop pronounced the Benediction.

The Convention resumed its session in the Chapel, and there being no further business, on motion of Mr. Chandler,

Resolved, **That the Convention adjourn.**

The Minutes of the evening were read, and after a brief address and the Benediction from the Bishop, he declared the Convention adjourned *sine die.*

DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

THE RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, D. D., *Bishop and President of the Convention.* Residence, Wilmington.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Charles S. Spencer, D. D., *President*, New Castle.
Rev. D. D. Smith.
Rev. Lewis W. Gibson, *Secretary*, Dover.
S. M. Curtis.
Horace Burr, M. D.

DEPUTIES TO GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass,
Rev. Wm. B. Gordon,
Rev. Geo. W. DuBois, D. D.,
Rev. T. Gardiner Littell,
S. M. Curtis,
Geo. H. Bates,
Horace Burr, M. D.,
Henry Ridgely, M. D.

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

Rev. Charles S. Spencer, D. D., Rev. B. J. Douglass.

MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Right Rev Alfred Lee, D. D., *Chairman.*
Rev. T. Gardiner Littell,
Rev. D. D Smith,
Mr. H. H. Johnson, *Treasurer*,
Mr. F. G. DuPont.

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

	Term expires.		Term expires.
Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass,	1889.	Rev. Lewis W. Gibson,	1890.
Horace Burr, M. D.,	1888.	Dr. Henry Ridgely,	1886.
		Mr. George H. Bates,	1887.

TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rev. T. Gardiner Littell, Rev. Lewis W. Gibson,
Rev. Charles S. Spencer, D. D., Rev. Wm. B. Gordon.

TRUSTEES OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., *President.*

	Term expires.		Term expires.
Dr. Henry Ridgely,	1887.	George D. Armstrong,	1890.
George H. Bates,	1886.	Thomas Holcomb,	1889.
Walter Cummins,	1891.	Wm. Jenks Fell,	1888.

REGISTRAR OF CONVENTION.

Rev. T. Gardiner Littell.

TREASURER OF CONVENTION AND OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Gregg Chandler, Wilmington.

SECRETARY OF CONVENTION.

S. M. Curtis, Newark.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

George H. Bates, Wilmington.

ATTEST, S. M. CURTIS, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Ascension Church, Claymont.

REV. P. B. LIGHTNER, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 3; Adult, 1; Total	4
Confirmed	6
Communicants—Number last reported	52
" Since died	1
" Lost by removal	8
" Lost otherwise	4
" Added	6
" Present number	45
Funerals	7

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Teachers	10
Scholars, about	60

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	20 00
" Domestic, (including Indian and Colored Home Missions.)	68 32
" Foreign	11 05
Total	99 37
Diocesan Disabled Clergy Fund	7 37
Communion alms and Charitable aid	28 62
Societies—Education, Bible, Prayer Book, &c.,	10 04
Diocesan charges	47 87
Parochial, Ladies' aid	200 00
Other purposes, Sunday school library	127 93
Current expenses	930 08
Total	$1451 28

Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred.

REV. R. H. WRIGHT, Rector.

Baptisms by Rev. Mr. Schorr		9
Burials		3
I took charge of the Parish November 1st.		
Communicants—Number reported		60
Omitted from list		5
		65
Lost by removal	14	
Died	3	
		17
Present number		48
Marriages		1
Funerals		1

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE CLASSES.

Teachers	12
Scholars	120

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms	17 16
Convention	4 00
Episcopate	18 21
Parochial	863 56
Other purposes	551 14
Total	$1,454 07

Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred.

REV. P. B. LIGHTNER, Rector.

Communicants—Died	1
" Present number	13
Funerals	1

OFFERINGS.

Diocesan Missions	$ 1 52
Foreign Missions	1 50
Fund for disabled Clergy	90
Theological Education	1 99
Prayer Book Societies	92
Diocesan Charges	7 47
Church Improvement Fund	49 23
Current expenses	101 50
Total	$165 03

The situation at Calvary is one without change, as regards the ordinary factors of a report. The Sunday school, it has been found impossible to continue at present. There are promising indications that good is being done. The prospect of embellishing the Church is creating a decided interest.

St. John's Church, Wilmington.

REV. T. GARDINER LITTELL, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult, 1; Infant, 25; Total	26
Confirmed	15
Communicants—Number in last report	166
" Died	2
" Lost by removal	16
" Added by removal	14
" Added, new	14
" Present number	176
Marriages	2
Burials	12
Sunday Schools	3
Bible classes	2
Teachers	24
Scholars	227
Public Services—On Sundays, 117; other days, 131; total,	248

Children catechised every Sunday.

OFFERINGS.

Alms		$54 12
General Clergy Relief Fund		24 38
Sunday Schools		119 18
Missions—Diocesan	43 28	
" Foreign	29 27	
" Domestic	109 44	
" Jews	11 25	
" Colored people	29 15	
" General Fund	14 47	
Total Missions		236 86
Diocesan charges		98 13
Endowment of the Episcopate		62 89
Improvements		1764 73
Current Expenses		2654 99
Total		$5015 28

St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

RT. REV. ALFRED LEE, D. D., Rector.

REV. CHARLES E. MURRAY, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—Infant, 16: Adult, 2; Total	18
Confirmed	13
Communicants—Removed	5
" Died	8
" Withdrawn	3
" Added	33
" Present Number	288
Marriages	4
Funerals	23
Sunday Schools, Teachers	31
" " Scholars	220

CONTRIBUTIONS—FROM SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Missions—Diocese of Delaware	$100 00	
" Africa, Orphan Asylum	50 00	
" Mexico, Scholarship	40 00	
" Mexico, from Mexican Band	50 00	
" Japan	39 00	
" Other Missionary Objects	74 24	
		$353 24

CHURCH OFFERINGS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$187 00	
" Sewing Society for Delaware	155 85	
" Domestic, General	65 00	
" " Indian	35 00	
" " Colored	35 00	
" Foreign, General	35 00	
" " Mexico	50 00	
" Jewish	40 00	
		$602 85
Charitable—Communion Alms and other aid	300 00	
" Clergy Relief, General Fund	30 00	
" " " Diocesan "	30 00	
		$360 00
Societies—State Bible	25 00	
" Evangelical Education	52 25	
" Evangelical Knowledge	41 62	
		$118 87
Parochial—For Sunday School	167 55	
" Diocesan Charges	173 90	
		$341 45
Total		$1,776 41

The Parochial Report of the Church has not usually included Current Expenses. These a little exceed $5,000. If added, the total for the year would amount to about $6,800.

Trinity Church, Wilmington.

REV. HENRY B. MARTIN, M. D. Rector.

REV. JESSE HIGGINS, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—Infant, 53, Adult, 4	57
Confirmed	20
Communicants, number last reported	309
Died, 8; Dropped, 67;	75
Added	31
Present number	265
Marriages	6
Funerals	38
Sunday school teachers—Old Church	18
Scholars	200
Teachers, chapel	20
Scholars	140
Total teachers	38
Total scholars	340
Public services, Chapel 261; Old Church, 182;	443
Sermons " 109; " " 96;	205
Lectures " 72; " " 68	140
Holy Communions " 47; " " 35;	82

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan missions—Gathering of Wilmington Sunday schools, November 11, 1885	$42 00
Domestic	47 00
Charitable	113 04
Interest on Episcopal Fund	124 25
Diocesan charges	25 00
Parochial	5559 68
Total contributions	$5910 97

The Rev. Jesse Higgins has continued actively, zealously and earnestly engaged in the work in the Old Swedes Church, and has frequently assisted in the Chapel services. We are very much encouraged at the work in the Old Church. The attendance continues very good at both churches, and our parish affairs are cheering. The Ladies' Parish Aid Association has furnished two boxes of clothing and general supplies to missionaries; one valued at $185.00 and one at $85.00.

The new rectory was completed and occupied by the rector in March last. I have dropped from the communicant list, the names of all those, who for three years or more have neither communed nor attended service, and whom I have been unable to find or obtain any knowledge of.

HENRY B. MARTIN,
Rector.

Calvary Church, Wilmington.

REV. B. H. LATROBE, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 16; Adult, 1; Total	17
Communicants—Last reported	159
" Since died	5
" Lost by removal	17
" Added	63
" Present number	200
Marriages	2
Burials	11
Sunday School—Teachers	21
" Scholars	275

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Jewish Mission	$ 2 17
Christmas Festival of Sunday School	15 00
Sunday School supplies	31 45
Library Books for Sunday School	65 00
Parish Aid Society for the Poor and Sick	64 25
Periodicals, Parish Visitors, etc	30 00
Diocesan Charges	8 00
Apportionment for the Episcopate	34 00
Repairs to Church Edifice	60 63
Furniture and Fixtures	20 00
Fuel and Gas	103 00
Insurance and Water Rent	25 00
Incidentals	27 00
Salaries	1262 00
Total	$1747 50

Christ Church, Christiana Hundred.

REV. DUDLEY D. SMITH, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 21; Adult, 1; Total	22
Confirmed	7

Communicants—Last reported		128
" Removed		2
" Lost		2
" Added		9
" Present number		133
Marriages		4
Funerals		12
Sunday School Teachers		14
" " Scholars		126
Public services, about		150

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan collections	$ 108 83		
" Relief of Clergy	92 89		
		$ 206	72
" Domestic—from Sunday School	14 37		
" Seamans' Mission	50 00		
" Freedmen	40 00		
" American Church Miss. Soc. collection	100 00		
" " " Ladies' Auxiliary	227 31		
" Private gifts	152 00		
" Poor Churches	251 00		
		$ 834	68
" Foreign, Collection	134 00		
" 5 Cent Collection	189 85		
" Mexico	25 57		
" Sunday School offering	33 49		
" Women's Union Mission Society	60 00		
" Private gifts	194 77		
		$ 637	68
Total for Missions		$1,679	08
American Bible Society		57	00
American Tract Society		25	33
Evangelical Education Society		41	41
Communion Alms		85	05
Episcopate and Convention Charges		132	50
Church Repairs		53	92
Cost of Immanuel Chapel		3,790	00
Total		$5,864	29

June 2nd 1885.

During the past year some members of the congregation consummated a plan they had for some time entertained—a neat chapel was erected on a fine lot given for the purpose by the family of the first rector of the parish. This building costing, with value of lot

included, $800, some forty-six hundred dollars, under the name of Immanuel Chapel, was consecrated by the Bishop of the Diocese assisted by seven of the neighboring clergy on the first Sunday in Advent. A growing population just out of Wilmington is thus supplied with increased religious facilities. We pray God's blessing on this new out-post in his Zion.

Immanuel Church, New Castle.

C. S. SPENCER, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 19; Adult, 2; Total	21
Confirmed	6
Communicants—Died	4
" Added	8
" Removed	9
" Present Number	93
Marriages	2
Funerals	14
Sunday Schools	2
Bible Class	1
Teachers	16
Scholars	175

OFFERINGS.

Indian Missions	$ 10 29
Sunday School Library	7 07
Increase of the Ministry	10 54
Prayer Book Society	8 39
Nashotah	17 43
Diocesan Missions	34 30
Disabled Clergy Fund	11 39
Rectory at Lewes, Del	16 05
Domestic Missions	108 89
Foreign Missions	70 50
Freedmen of the South	15 80
Conversion of the Jews	11 55
Parish Library	13 19
General Parochial Purposes	148 44
From Sunday School for Bishop Hare	51 79
For Hospital at Tokio, Japan	4 52
Communion Alms	86 97
Total	$627 11

St. James' Church, Newport.

REV. W. D. HANSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant	5
" Adult	2
Total	7
Confirmed	5
Communicants—withdrawn	5
" Added	5
" Present Number	15
Funerals	1

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$ 3 00
" Domestic (Amer. C. M. S.)	3 00
" Foreign	6 49
Total	$ 12 49
Diocesan charges	5 00
Parochial (about)	150 00

St. James' Church, near Stanton.

REV. W. D. HANSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 1; Adult, 1; Total	2
Confirmed	5
Communicants—Withdrawn	2
" Removed	3
" Died	3
" Added	4
" Present number	61
Funerals	8

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$6 00	
" Domestic (Amer. C. M. S.)	5 50	
" Foreign	8 84	
Foreign (Missionary Boxes)	8 62	
Total		$28 96
Diocesan Disabled Clergy Fund	$3 00	
Alms	10 77	
Diocesan Charges	8 00	
Parochial	537 34	
Total		$588 07

In the death of J. Poulson Armstrong, this parish mourns the loss of an active, well-known, most highly esteemed and liberal supporter of the Church.

St. Thomas' Church, Newark.

REV. GEORGE M. BOND, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult, 5; Infant, 4; Total	9
Communicants—Number last reported	71
" Confirmed	2
" Received	2
" Died	1
" Present number	74
Funerals	1
Sunday schools	1
Teachers	7
Scholars	50

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan charges	$36 00
Sunday school	26 34
Conversion of the Jews	4 27
Improvements of church and rectory	473 91
Missions—Diocesan	65 14
Ev. Ed. society	25 00
Parochial	858 92
Total	$1489 58

The Rev. H. Allen Griffith resigned the rectorship in December 1884, and the Rev. George M. Bond assumed its duties January 18th, 1885.

Christ Church, Delaware City.

REV. DAVID HOWARD, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant	4
Confirmed	1
Communicants—Last reported	40
" Died	1
" Added	4
" Present number	43
Funerals	4
Public Services—Sundays	102
" Other Days	90
Total	192

Sunday Schools—Scholars	57
" Teachers	8

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Sunday Offerings	161 24
Missions—Diocesan	22 09
" Foreign	6 00
Diocesan Charges	5 00
Episcopate	13 99
Missions to Jews	6 00
Current Expenses and Rector's Salary	906 21
Communion Alms	12 00
Easter Offering for Parish Building	86 00
Improvement to Rectory	75 04
Disabled Clergy	4 00
Total	$1297 57

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERINGS.

The Bishop of North Dakota	$ 4 81
The Rev. P. E. Jones, Haiti	9 03
Sunday School Hymnals and Cards	7 13
Total	$ 20 97

Monday May 11th, the ladies of the Parish organized a Missionary Guild to co-operate with the Delaware Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary. Great interest was manifested in the cause by all.

St. Anne's Church, Middletown.

Rector.

Families	50
Individuals	205
Baptisms—Adult, 1, in private: infants, public, 4; private, 1; total	6
Confirmed	2
Received otherwise	3
Died	2
Last number	84
Present number	87
Burials	5
Divine Service—Sundays	101
Other days	92
Holy Communion—Public	19
Private	3

Sunday School—Teachers	7
Pupils	35
Communion Alms	$60 00
Rector's Salary	800 00
Offerings	174 81
Paid on Rectory	745 78
Diocesan Missions	5 00
Foreign "	10 62
The Jews	7 58
Total	$1,803 79
Debt still due on the Rectory	1,050 00

During the past year, the Church has lost a faithful member in the death of Miss Boyer, who, besides her good deeds during life, has left the Parish $2.000 at her death.

The climate here has not agreed with me, and much to the regret of the congregation, I have been obliged to resign my work.

St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.

REV. W. B. GORDON, Rector.

Baptisms—infant	4
Confirmed	3
Marriages	2
Burials	6
Communicants—Present number	77
Sunday school—Teachers	7
" " Scholars	55
Total	62

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms		$ 36 24
Rector's salary		1000 00
Missions—Diocesan	$ 40 00	
" General	79 71	
" to Jews	5 00	
" Woman's Auxiliary	8 00	
Sunday School offerings	54 50	
Total for Missions		187 21
Church Aid Society		40 00
Clergy Retiring Fund Society		12 00
Two aged Clergymen		35 00
Disabled Clergy		16 84
Widows and Orphans		15 00

Sunday School	50 45
Bishop's salary and Convention Fund	52 00
Other purposes	48 00
Parochial	3748 21
Total Contributions	$ 5240 95

Since my last report, the exterior of the Church has been painted, and the interior remodelled, refurnished and carpeted, and the walls frescoed; a fine organ from the factory of Jardine & Son, of New York, has also been put in. The Rev. A. G. Cummins has placed in the chancel a beautiful window, in memory of his father and mother. We think the Parish now possesses as fine a property as any in the Diocese.

Christ Church, Dover.

LEWIS W. GIBSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant 16; Adult 2; Total	18
Confirmed	12
Communicants—Number last reported	99
" Removed	6
" Added by Removal	4
" Added by First Communion	11
" Present number	108
Marriages	3
Burials	6
Sunday Schools—Dover, Scholars	60
" " Teachers	8
" Camden—Scholars	30
" " Teachers	5
Public Services—Sundays	116
" Other days	121
Total	237

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial—Rector's Salary	$ 975 00	
Repairs of Rectory	41 00	
Church Expenses	298 44	
Church Improvement	51 00	
Sunday School	122 50	
Charities	29 44	
Total		$ 1,516 88

Extra Parochial—Episcopal Fund	$	45 78	
Convention Fund		10 00	
Disabled Clergy Fund		26 69	
Diocesan Mission		39 21	
Domestic Missions		43 25	
Special Missionary Contributions		25 43	
Mission to Jews		6 93	
General Missions		9 65	
			206 93
Total			$1723 81

Christ Church, Milford.

REV. L. H. JACKSON, Late Rector.

Baptisms—Infant	6
Confirmed	1
Communicants—Last reported	85
" Since died	8
" Added	4
" Present number	81
Marriages	4
Funerals	13
Public services	107
Sunday school Teachers	6
" Scholars	50

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan missions	$10 00
Communion alms and Charitable aid	14 03

I resigned the rectorship of Christ church on Whit-Sunday, May 17th.

L. H. JACKSON,
Late Rector.

St. Stephen's Church, Harrington.

REV. L. H. JACKSON, Late Missionary.

The mission services at Harrington have been conducted twice a month through the year, except on stormy Sundays, to moderately good congregations, the average attendance being about 25 or 30; but we have only three or four church people in or near the town, several others having removed.

Report of Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass,

In consequence of sickness I was obliged to resign the Parish of St. Paul's, Georgetown, last September. My official acts from the first of June 1884, to September 1st 1884, the date of my resignation are:—

Public services	18
Funerals	1
Marriages	1
Infant Baptism	1
Holy Communion	2
Offering of St. Paul's in June for New York Bible and Prayer Book Society	$ 3 16
For Foreign Missions, (first Sunday in July)	2 69

Through the winter I did very little active work on account of my health, but since my recovery in the Spring, I have done what I could for the church in the Diocese, in the way of supplying vacant Parishes.

Public services since September	54
Infant Baptisms	2

St. Peter's Church, Lewes.

REV. JNO. LINN MCKIM, late Rector.

Baptisms—Infant	1
Funerals	3
Communicants	32
Sunday School—Teachers	6
" Scholars	40
Bible Class—Adults	10
Public Services—Sundays	27
" Other days	3

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Rector's Salary	$200 00
Incidental Expenses	76 00
Diocesan Charges	25 00

The above report is from the first Sunday in June to the first Sunday in Advent, at which time I resigned the charge of the Parish.

JOHN L. MCKIM, Late Rector.

Since the last Convention the Parish has purchased a Rectory at a cost of $1,400, and have paid $1,000 on it.

WM. P. ORR, Warden.

St. John's Church, Greenville.

REV. WM. ROBERT ELLIS, Rector.

Confirmed	1
Communicants—Last reported	32
" Died	1
" Added by Confirmation	1
" Present number	32
Marriages	8
Funerals	2
Public services—Sundays	20
" Other days	10
Total	30
Sunday school—Teachers	6
" Scholars	40

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan charges	$ 8 00
Communion Alms	5 00
For the Jews	1 05
For other purposes	10 00

St. Mark's Church, Millsboro.

REV. WM. ROBERT ELLIS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, 8; Adult, 2; Total	10
Confirmed	1
Communicants—Last reported	11
" Added by Confirmation	1
" Present number	12
Marriages	16
Funerals	6
Public services—Sunday	20
" Other days	25
Total	45
Sunday school—Teachers	6
" Scholars	50

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Charges	$ 4 50
For Domestic Missions	2 10
The Jews	2 10
Church improvement	50 00
Other purposes	10 00

Grace Church, Baltimore Mills.

REV. WM. ROBERT ELLIS, Rector.

Communicants	13
Marriages	1
Funerals	1
Public services—Sundays	15
" Other days	1
Total	16

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Charges	$ 4 50
For Church repairs, &c	10 00

My ministrations were very much interrupted during the past year by the inclemency of the weather.

Rev. Geo. W. Johnson, Missionary in Sussex Co., Del.

To the Bishop of the Diocese of Delaware.

As your Missionary, I would respectfully report,

Baptisms—Children	24
Confirmed	3
Communicants—Last reported	89
" Died	2
" Present number	90
Marriages	5
Funerals	14
Sunday School—Teachers	21
" Scholars	250
Public Services—Sunday	99
" Week day	36
Total	135

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan	$38 00
Jewish Missions	2 25
Diocesan Charges	5 00
Episcopate	10 00
For salary of your Missionary	88 00
Present for Missionary and wife, Long Neck	19 25

From dividends of the late S. Kenney, St. Mark's	5 00
Balance on re-building and iron fence, St. George's	115 00
Sunday School expenses	59 00
Expenses, incidental	46 00
Total	$388 50

During the past year, the unpaid bills incident to the re-building, and balance due the Bank as a loan on the iron fence at St. George's have been paid.

St. Mark's has been nicely painted inside, and otherwise improved.

The Sunday Schools of my four churches, have been well attended.

The following is a detailed account of the work in my four churches.

St. George's.

Baptisms—Children	9
Communicants—Last reported	20
" Added by Confirmation	1
" Died	1
" Present number	20
Marriages	4
Funerals	11
Sunday Schools—Teachers	4
" Scholars	31
Public Services—Sunday	27
" Week day	9
Total	36

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan	$5 00
Diocesan Charges	2 00
Episcopate	3 00
Salary of your Missionary	53 00
Balance on re-building and iron fence	115 00
Sunday School expenses	12 00
Incidental Expenses	13 00
Total	$205 00

Chapel of the Comforter.

Baptisms—Children	5
Communicants	14
Sunday School—Teachers	5
" Scholars	35
Public Services—Sunday	25
Week day	7
Total	32

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan	$2 00
Jewish Mission	2 25
Diocesan Charges	1 00
Episcopate	2 00
Sunday School Expenses	12 00
For Missionary and wife	19 25
Salary of Missionary	35 00
Sexton	10 00
Total	$83 50

St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred.

Baptisms—Children	6
Communicants—Last report	43
" Confirmed	2
" Died	1
" Present number	44
Sunday School—Teachers	4
" Scholars	92
Public Services—Sunday	23
" Week day	9
Total	32

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan	$22 00
Diocesan Charges	2 00
Episcopate	5 00

Sunday School Expenses	15 00
Painting and repairs	20 00
Total	$64 00

St. Andrew's, Ellis Grove.

Baptisms—Children	4
Communicants	10
Sunday School—Teachers	8
" Scholars	92
Public Services—Sunday	24
" Week day	9
	33

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Missions—Diocesan	$ 9 00
Sunday School Expenses	20 00
Incidental Expenses, including Insurance on Building	10 00
Total	$39 00

St. John's School, Faulkland, Delaware.

May 30th, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.

Since the last meeting of Convention I have been engaged in school work, and during term time have had daily services in the School Chapel.

Faithfully yours,

THOS. H. GORDON.

Rev. W. A. Newbold.

Rt. Rev. A. Lee, D. D.

I would respectfully report as a member of the Diocese of Delaware, that during the past year I have been actively employed in the duties of my office as Secretary of the American Church Missionary Society, devoting my week days to its interests.

Also for seven months I had charge of Grace Church, City Island, N. Y.; for four months of Christ Church, Bay Ridge, Long Island; and for the last month of the Church of the Holy Apostles, Ocean Beach, New Jersey.

The income of our Society has largely increased this year, and its work is in good condition.

Most truly yours,

WILLIAM A. NEWBOLD.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Clergy, canonically resident	30
" Parochial and Missionary	18
" having more than one charge	4
" dismissed	6
" received	3
" ordained Deacons	2
Parishes	27
Churches and Chapels	37
Baptisms—infant 242, adult 25, total	267
Confirmed	104
Communicants—removed	80
" died 47, lost otherwise 83	130
" added	223
" present number	2206
Marriages	59
Funerals	182
Sunday Schools—Teachers	249
" Scholars	2220

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions, Diocesan	$ 993 16	
" Domestic	1,864 60	
" Foreign	1,094 38	
" Not specified	231 44	
Total		$ 4,183 58
Relief of Disabled Clergy		169 57
Charitable		963 69
Episcopate. interest on Apportionment		842 67
" Endowment		89 58
Societies—Education, Bible, Prayer Book, &c		299 49
Diocesan charges—Convention		216 00
Parochial		26,321 22
Other purposes		5,389 14
Total		$ 38,574 94

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention will be held in St. Luke's Church, Seaford, on the first Wednesday in June, 1886.

APPORTIONMENT.

PARISHES.	AMOUNT.	CREDIT.	BALANCE.	INTEREST.	CONVENTION EXPENSES.
Ascension, Claymont	$ 900 00	$ 102 57	$ 797 43	$ 43 86	$8 00
Grace, Brandywine Hd	400 00	35 70	354 30	20 04	4 00
Calvary, Brandywine Hd	100 00	10 60	89 40	4 92	3 00
St. John's, Wilmington	2,000 00	300 29	1,699 71	93 48	15 00
St. Andrew's, Wilmington	7,750 00	4,872 00	2,878 00	158 29	30 00
Trinity, Wilmington	3,000 00	238 88	2,761 12	151 86	25 00
Calvary, Wilmington	700 00	20 00	680 00	37 40	6 00
Christ, Christiana Hd	2,250 00		2,250 00	123 75	18 00
Immanuel, New Castle	3,500 00	3,500 00			25 00
St. James, Stanton	1,600 00	1,600 00			8 00
St. James, Newport	500 00	500 00			5 00
St. Thomas, Newark	900 00	273 07	626 93	34 48	8 00
Christ, Delaware City	300 00	20 02	279 98	15 40	5 00
St. Anne's, Appoquinimink	800 00	12 03	787 97	43 34	8 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna	1,000 00	700 49	299 51	16 47	10 00
Christ, Dover	1,000 00	94 31	905 69	49 81	10 00
Christ, Milford	800 00	125 00	675 00	37 12	6 00
St. John Baptist, Milton	250 00	5 00	245 00	13 48	3 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown	500 00	40 00	460 00	25 30	5 00
St. Peter's, Lewes	500 00	100 00	400 00	22 00	5 00
St. George's, Indian River	100 00		100 00	5 50	3 00
St. Luke's, Seaford	600 00	11 94	588 06	32 34	6 00
Christ, Broad Creek, St. Philip's, Laurel,	250 00	8 25	241 75	13 30	4 00
St. Mark's, Little Creek	100 00		100 00	5 50	2 00
St. John's, Greenville	100 00		100 00	5 50	3 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro	50 00		50 00	2 75	2 00
Grace, Baltimore Mills	50 00		50 00	2 75	2 00
	$30,000 00	$12,570 15	$17,429 85	$958 64	

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TIONS.

Endowment of Episcopate.	Diocesan Charges.	Societies.	Parochial.	Other Purposes.	Total.	Current Expenses.
. . .	$8 00	$10 04	$1258 01	. . . .	$1451 28	included.
. . .	4 00	. . . .	863 56	$551 14	1454 07	included.
. . .	3 00	2 91	150 73	. . . .	165 03	included.
62 89	10 00	. . . .	4538 90	. . . .	5015 28	included.
. . .	30 00	118 87	167 55	. . . .	1776 41	not included.
. . .	25 00	. . . .	5559 68	. . . .	6152 77	included.
. . .	8 00	. . . .	1639 08	. . . .	1747 50	included.
. . .	20 00	123 74	53 92	3790 00	5864 29	not included.
. . .	25 00	18 93	168 70	. . . .	652 11	not included.
. . .	5 00	. . . .	150 00	. . . .	167 49	included.
. . .	8 00	. . . .	537 34	. . . .	588 07	included.
. . .	8 00	25 00	1359 17	. . . .	1492 92	included.
. . .	5 00	. . . .	1235 64	. . . .	1318 56	included.
. . .	8 00	. . . .	1720 59	. . . .	1850 88	included.
26 69	10 00	. . . .	4838 66	48 00	5241 95	included.
. . .	10 00	. . . .	1487 44	. . . .	1723 82	included.
. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . . .	. . . .	24 03	not included.
. . .	3 00	. . . .	. . . . .	. . . .	15 25	not included.
. . .	5 00	. . . .	. . . . .	. . . .	28 00	not included.
. . .	5 00	. . . .	276 00	1000 00	1301 00	included.
. . .	3 00	. . . .	271 25	. . . .	288 50	included.
. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . . .	. . . .	29 40	not included.
. . .	4 00	. . . .	. . . . .	. . . .	16 c8	not included.
. . .	2 00	. . . .	35 co	. . . .	64 00	included.
. . .	3 00	. . . .	10 oo	. . . .	24 05	not included.
. . .	2 00	. . . .	60 00	. . . .	68 70	included.
. . .	2 00	. . . .	10 00	. . . .	14 50	included.
. . .	. . . .	. . . .	30 oo	. . . .	39 00	included.
$89 58	$216 00	$299 49	$26321 22	$5389 14	$38574 44	

Treasurers' Accounts.

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

DR.

1884.			
June 3	By Cash in Bank, principal		$ 79 75
" 4	" St. Peter's, Smyrna, principal		29 02
" 4	" St. Peter's, Smyrna		15 98
" 4	" Ascension, Claymont		35 90
" 4	" Grace, Brandywine Hundred		16 39
" 4	" Calvary, " "		4 04
" 4	" St. Thomas, Newark		28 21
" 4	" Christ, Delaware City		12 60
" 4	" St. Anne's, Appoquinimink		35 46
" 4	" Christ Church, Dover		41 20
" 4	" " " Milford, for 1883		10 00
" 4	" " " "		30 37
" 4	" St. John Baptist, Milton		11 02
" 4	" St. Paul's, Georgetown		21 60
" 4	" St. Peter's, Lewes		18 00
" 4	" St. George's, Indian River		4 50
" 4	" St. Luke's, Seaford		26 46
" 4	" Christ Church and St. Philip's, Laurel		10 80
" 4	" St. Mark's, Little Creek		4 50
" 4	" St. John's, Greenville		4 50
" 4	" St. Mark's, Millsboro		2 25
" 4	" Grace, Baltimore Mills		2 25
" 7	" Trinity, Wilmington		124 25
July 19	" Christ Church, Dover, principal		10 00
Oct. 13	" 6 mos. interest J. C. Higgins, to 9th inst		200 00
" 15	" 6 mos. interest James Morrow		125 00
" 15	" 6 mos. interest City, due July		45 00
" 18	" St. John's, Wilmington, principal		62 94
1885.			
Feb. 25	" 6 mos. interest City, to June, 1885		45 00
Mar. 9	" Christ Church, Christiana Hundred		77 50
" 10	" James Morrow, to 1st inst		125 00
" 25	" St. Andrew's, Wilmington		143 90
Apr. 7	" St. John's, "		60 00
" 20	" J. C. Higgins		200 00
June 1	" Christ Church, Christiana Hundred		35 00
" 4	" St. John's, Wilmington		28 13
	Total		$1726 52

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

CR.

1884.		
June 9	By Cash paid Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D.D.	$ 460 28
Oct. 15	" " " " " "	370 00
1885.		
Mar. 10	" " " " " "	247 50
Apr. 22	" " " " " "	403 90
June 3	By balance in Bank	244 84
	Total	$1726 52

Examined and found correct.

HORACE BURR,
H. RIDGELY.

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

DISABLED CLERGY FUND.

DR.

1884.		
June 3	To Cash in Bank	$ 123 61
" 4	" Grace, Brandywine Hundred	7 50
" 4	" Calvary, Wilmington	5 00
" 4	" Collection at Convention	11 35
" 6	" Christ Church, Dover	2 00
July 1	" 6 mos. interest on New Castle County Bonds	50 00
Sep. 17	" St. James', Stanton	3 00
Oct. 15	" 6 mos. Interest on City Loan	10 50
Nov. 7	" " " " "	30 00
Dec 23	" Immanuel, New Castle	11 39
1885.		
Jan. 2	" 6 mos. interest on New Castle County Bond	50 00
" 6	" Christ Church, Dover	20 00
Feb. 25	" 6 mos. interest on $50.00, City Loan	1 50
Mar. 5	" Ascensiou, Claymont	7 37
" 5	" Calvary, Brandywine Hundred	90
Apr. 9	" Christ Church, Dover	6 69
" 20	" 6 mos. interest on $300.00	9 00
May 5	" St. Andrew's, Wilmington	30 00
" 26	" 6 mos. interest on City Loan	30 00
	Total	$ 409 81

G. Ghaudler, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

DISABLED CLERGY FUND.

CR.

1884.		
June 12	By Cash paid Rev. J. A. Stone	$ 75 00
1885.		
Jan. 1	" " Rev. J. A. Stone	75 00
June 3	By Cash in Bank	259 81
	Total	$ 409 81

Examined and found correct.

HORACE BURR,
H. RIDGELY.

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.

DR.

1884.			
June 4	To balance in the Treasury		$ 210 67
" 4	To Cash from	Ascension, Claymont	8 00
" 4	" "	Grace, Brandywine Hundred	4 00
" 4	" "	Calvary, " "	3 00
" 4	" "	St. James, Stanton	8 00
" 4	" "	St. James, Newport	5 00
" 4	" "	St. Thomas, Newark	8 00
" 4	" "	Christ, Delaware City	5 00
" 4	" "	St. Anne's, Appoquinimink	8 00
" 4	" "	St. Peter's, Smyrna	10 00
" 4	" "	Christ Church, Dover	10 00
" 4	" "	Christ Church, Milford	6 00
" 4	" "	St. John Baptist, Milton	3 00
" 4	" "	St. Paul's, Georgetown	5 00
" 4	" "	St. Peter's, Lewes	5 00
" 4	" "	St. George's, Indian River	3 00
" 4	" "	St. Luke's, Seaford	8 00
" 4	" "	St. Philip's, Laurel	4 00
" 4	" "	St. Mark's, Little Creek	2 00
" 4	" "	St. John's, Greenville	3 00
" 4	" "	St. Marks, Millsboro,	2 00
" 4	" "	Grace, Baltimore Mills	2 00
" 7	" "	Immanuel, New Castle	25 00
" 7	" "	Trinity, Wilmington	25 00
1885.			
May 30	" "	St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington	30 00
June 1	" "	Christ Church, Christiana Hundred	20 00
" 1	" "	St. James, Stanton	8 00
	Total		$ 430 67

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.

CR.

1884.		
June 4	By Cash paid Sexton, at Delaware City	$ 5 00
" 4	" " S. M. Curtis	20 36
" 28	" " James & Webb	119 00
1885.		
Apr. 30	" " T. B. Coddington, Treas. G. Convention . .	14 50
June 3	Balance in Bank	271 81
	Total	$ 430 67

Examined and found correct.

HORACE BURR,
H. RIDGELY.

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

DR.

1885.					
June	3	To balance in Treasury		$	224 84
"	3	By Cash from Ascension, Claymont			39 87
"	3	" " Grace, Brandywine Hundred			18 21
"	3	" " St. Thomas, Newark			31 34
"	3	" " Christ, Delaware City			13 99
"	3	" " St. Anne's, Appoquinimink			39 39
"	3	" " St. Peter's, Smyrna			16 31
"	3	" " Christ Church, Dover			45 78
"	3	" " St. John Baptist, Milton			12 25
"	3	" " St. Paul's, Georgetown			23 00
"	3	" " St. Peter's, Lewes			20 00
"	3	" " St. George's, Indian River			5 00
"	3	" " St. Luke's, Seaford			29 40
"	3	" " St. Philip's, Laurel			12 08
"	3	" " St. Mark's, Little Creek			5 00
"	3	" " St. John's, Greenville			5 00
"	3	" " St. Mark's, Millsboro			2 50
"	3	" " Grace, Baltimore Mills			2 50
"	3	" " St. Peter's, Smyrna, principal			26 69
"	3	" " Calvary, Wilmington			34 00
"	10	" " Calvary, Brandywine Hundred			4 47
"	10	" " Trinity, Wilmington			138 05

DISABLED CLERGY FUND.

1885.			
June	3,	To Balance in Treasury	$259 81
"	3,	By Cash	4 00
"	3,	By Collection at Convention	11 25

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Delaware.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

CR.

1885.		
Jun. 10	By Cash paid Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.	$ 561 27

[SUPPLEMENTARY.]

G. Chandler, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.

DR.

1885.			
June	4	To balance in treasury,	$271 81
"	4	To cash from Ascension, Claymont,	8 00
"	4	" Grace, Brandywine Hundred,	4 00
"	4	" Trinity, Wilmington,	25 00
"	4	" St. James', Newport,	5 00
"	4	" St. Thomas, Newark,	8 00
"	4	" Christ Church, Delaware City,	5 00
"	4	" St. Anne's, Appoquinimink,	8 00
"	4	" St. Peter's, Smyrna,	10 00
"	4	" Christ Church, Dover,	10 00
"	4	" St. John, Milton,	3 00
"	4	" St. Peter's, Lewes,	5 00
"	4	" St. George's, Indian River,	3 00
"	4	" Christ and St. Philip's, Laurel,	4 00
"	4	" St. Mark's, Little Creek,	2 00
"	4	" St. John's, Greenville,	3 00
"	4	" St. Mark's, Millsboro',	2 00
"	4	" Grace, Baltimore Mills,	2 00
"	4	" Immanuel, New Castle,	25 00
"	4	" Calvary, Wilmington,	8 00
"	10	" Calvary, Brandywine Hundred,	3 00

G. Chandler, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.

CR.

1885.		
June 3	By Cash paid S. M. Curtis, ...	$14 90
" 3	" " Sexton at St. Peter's, Smyrna, ...	5 00

Form of Parochial Report.

The Statistical Reports in our Diocesan Journals have been often incomplete, and much delay and inconvenience occasioned in the publication of the Journal by neglect or inadvertence in regard to the annual Parochial Reports. In order to present a full and accurate statement of the condition of the Diocese, and facilitate the prompt issuing of the Journal, I ask your attention to Canon 17, Sec. 1, Title 1, of the General Convention, and to Canon IV, of this Diocese. The Report should be full and precise in the following particulars.

Church.

Name of Rector.

BAPTISMS, Infant, Adult, Total,

CONFIRMED,

COMMUNICANTS, Number last reported,
Since died,
Lost by removal,
Lost otherwise,
Added,
Present number,

MARRIAGES,

FUNERALS,

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES.

TEACHERS, SCHOLARS,

*CONTRIBUTIONS.

MISSIONS—[1] Diocesan,

Domestic, (including Indian, Jewish and Colored Home Missions,)

Foreign,

Total,

Diocesan Disabled Clergy Fund,

Communion alms and Charitable aid,

Societies—Education, Bible, Prayer Book, &c.,

[2] Diocesan charges,	Expenses of Convention,	
	Episcopate, interest on balance of apportionment,	
	Episcopate Endowment.	
Parochial,		
Other purposes,		
Total,		

REMARKS.

The Parochial Report, you will observe by Canon 17, Title 1, of General Convention, is to be handed to the Bishop on or before the first day of the annual Convention.

Your brother in Christ,

ALFRED LEE.

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*Under the different heads objects can be specified.

1 Required by Canon ix.

2 Required by Canon x.

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